

Central Montana Foundation & Area Clearinghouse Scholarships

Universal Application for Post-Secondary Students

Due Date: April 1, 2025

This universal application is for the scholarships listed below (several have multiple scholarships available). The application is a fillable PDF and must be typed. **Handwritten applications will NOT be accepted.** Individual scholarships may use different parts of the application, so it is important to fill out all sections. All answers must be limited to the spaces provided within the application. The only attachments to the application are the recommendation letters, your school transcript and any additional page(s) needed for a specific scholarship, as listed below.

Applicant name: _____

_____ I am interested in becoming a(n)

I am currently: Attending a post-secondary institution
 Planning to attend a post-secondary institution

_____ Name of post-secondary institution attending or planning to attend full-time

Type of post-secondary institution attending or planning to attend full-time: Vo-tech/trade school/junior college (2 yr)
 Specialized school (art, music, etc.)
 University or college (4-yr)
 Post-graduate

_____ Name of high school(s) and years attended

Type of high school completion: High School Diploma Year: _____
 HSE (Formerly GED) Year: _____

STUDENTS MUST RESIDE IN FERGUS, GARFIELD, JUDITH BASIN, PETROLEUM OR WHEATLAND COUNTY TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THESE SCHOLARSHIPS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. Please check ONLY the scholarships for which you are eligible:

Central Montana Foundation (College, University or Vo-Tech) - **By checking this box, you will be considered for a variety of scholarships that are available for post-high school graduates. See www.fergus.lewistown.k12.mt.us under "Guidance and Scholarships" for a complete list of area scholarships, specific information and criteria.**

Brooks Community Scholarship (College, University or Vo-Tech) - *For graduating seniors or graduates who have resided in the Brooks or Hilger area during high school and have a minimum GPA of 2.5.*

Darcy Lynn Dengel Memorial Nursing Scholarship (College or University) - *For a graduating senior or post-secondary student who is a resident of Fergus County, who desires to pursue a nursing degree at an accredited university of college. (Attachment Required)*

Delta Kappa Gamma/Irene C. Miller Scholarship (College or University) – *For Fergus, Petroleum, Wheatland or Judith Basin County high school graduates working toward an education degree at an accredited post-secondary institution. (Attachment Required)*

Fergus County Medical Society (College, University or Vo-Tech) – *For a Central Montana graduate pursuing a career in the healthcare field.*

Fergus Electric Lineman Scholarship - *For a Central Montana or Montana student planning to attend an accredited line technician school. (Attachment Required)*

Fergus Farm Mutual Scholarship (College, University or Vo-Tech) – *For a Montana student. Applicant or parent must be insured by FFM.*

Harold & Bette Coolidge Nursing Scholarship (College or University) – *For a Central Montana graduate pursuing a nursing degree. Preference given to non-traditional students.*

Lewistown Art Center Scholarship (College, University or Vo-Tech) – *For a student pursuing a visual arts or performing arts-related degree. **Portfolio required** - may be digital.*

Lewistown Kiwanis Club of Lewistown Scholarship (College, University or Vo-Tech) – *For Central Montana graduates with community service.*

Lewistown Education Association Scholarship (Montana College or University) – *For an FHS graduate pursuing an education degree at a Montana college or university, or current member of LEA pursuing a graduate degree in any education field. (Graduate student may be enrolled part-time.)*

Maiden School Scholarship (College or University) – *For a graduate from Fergus County attending a college or university with two years of FFA experience.*

Pat Descheemaeker Scholarship (College or University) – *For a graduate of FHS or Grass Range High School with a minimum GPA of 3.0 who has competed in cross country or track throughout high school and is competing at the collegiate level. **Must include verification** of status on a collegiate team.*

Winnett Lions Club Scholarship (College or University) – *For a graduate of Winnett High School entering the second year of college or above.*

Winnett PIE Scholarship (College or University) – *For a graduate of Winnett High School entering the second year of college.*

Name: _____

This universal application form is used to apply for all Central Montana Foundation and area scholarships. To be eligible a student must be enrolled full-time and attend an accredited college, university or vocational/technical center. Applicant will be scored on all information provided, so make sure all information is complete. Several of the scholarships require additional information or attachments. You are responsible for their inclusion, and you will not be considered for that scholarship if the attachment is missing.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Applicant Name: _____ Personal Email: _____

Preferred Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Birthdate: _____ Age: _____

Parents' Name(s): _____

DO NOT LIST HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION! *If you are not involved in extracurricular activities, please explain why.*

I. School/Activities – *Please list extracurricular, athletic or club-related activities in which you have participated and identify year of involvement. (For example: MSU Spurs & Fangs-SO; UM Ambassador-JR; etc.)* **DO NOT INCLUDE HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES.**

II. Community Activities – *Please list all of the non-school related activities in which you have participated and level of involvement. (For example: church or recreational activities, etc.)* **DO NOT INCLUDE HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES.**

III. Leadership – *Please list any offices held or leadership opportunities you have had or taken ownership in and identify year of involvement. (For example: Band Council Representative-SO)* **DO NOT INCLUDE HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES.**

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IV. Volunteer Service – Please list all volunteer or community service activities in which you have participated. Indicate the level of involvement in terms of hours per week, month or year. (For example: Boys & Girls Club Volunteer–2 hours per week; Tutor–1 hour per week; etc.) **DO NOT INCLUDE HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES.**

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V. Honors, Awards, Achievement – Potential examples include, but are not limited to, department or major area awards and scholarships, Dean’s List, etc. **DO NOT INCLUDE HIGH SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS.**

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WORK EXPERIENCE – Please list the job or job-related experiences you have had. Complete each section below for each individual employer. If you have more than four, please list the last four employers, **with the most recent first.**

Employer #1:		Start Date:	
		End Date:	
Nature of Work:		Avg Hrs/Week:	
Employer #2:		Start Date:	
		End Date:	
Nature of Work:		Avg Hrs/Week:	
Employer #3:		Start Date:	
		End Date:	
Nature of Work:		Avg Hrs/Week:	
Employer #4:		Start Date:	
		End Date:	
Nature of Work:		Avg Hrs/Week:	

Name: _____

OTHER – Are there other considerations the selection committee should be aware of? (List below.)

SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY – In your own words, please use the attached essay form to complete an essay (up to 500 words) answering the following question. Your signature is required. Please format essay in paragraphs.

► Describe an accomplishment, event, or realization that sparked a period of personal growth and a new understanding of yourself or others.

RECOMMENDATIONS & TRANSCRIPT – Please attach to this application a current **School Transcript**. Include three current letters of recommendation. The letters must be from non-family members, with at least one recommendation from a professor or other school personnel.

STUDENT CERTIFICATION – I certify the information given on this application is correct.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

SIGN HERE

A completed and signed, **SINGLE-SIDED** paper version (electronic copies will not be accepted) of this application and necessary completed supplements must be postmarked or submitted to the following address on or before April 1, 2025.
DO NOT STAPLE!

Central Montana Foundation
PO Box 334
224 W. Main St., Suite 407
Lewistown, MT 59457

SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY FORM

Name: _____

[Empty box for writing the scholarship essay]