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PJC Scholarships

Pensacola Junior College awards scholarships based on academic merit, leadership, school and community service, financial need, and other criteria. To qualify for consideration, applicants must submit a completed PJC Scholarship Application and all required documentation.

PJC Academic Merit Scholarship

Applicants must be a U.S. citizen or resident alien. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average on all high school or college/vocational credits and must plan to enroll on a full-time basis (minimum of 12 college/vocational credits). Recipients must maintain full-time enrollment and a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average.

PJC Foundation Scholarships

Applicants must be a U.S. citizen, resident of Northwest Florida, have a minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average on all high school or college/vocational credits, may be enrolled in six or more credits. Other specific criteria may apply.

Where To Get An Application

Applications are available in the Financial Aid Office at each campus location – Pensacola, Milton, and Warrington. Also applications can be obtained by going to the internet link provided in the box at the bottom of this page. The application form is on pages 9 and 10 and can be printed for your use. Applications cannot be submitted on-line, they must be brought or mailed to the PJC Scholarship Office accompanied by any required documentation by the posted deadline.

Application Deadlines

PJC Scholarship Applications and any requisite academic transcripts are accepted throughout the specified academic year but are subject to deadlines established for each term. Once an application is submitted it will be reviewed for eligibility for each term thereafter for that academic year. The deadline for the **2009-2010 academic year** is:

SUMMER TERM – March 1, 2010

Applications for the 2010-2011 academic year will be available on line after March 1, 2010.

Applications for the 2009-2010 academic year are now available at the Financial Aid Offices and at

<http://www.pjc.edu/students/services/docs/ScholarshipApp.pdf>

1 UNIVERSITY OF WEST FLORIDA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

UWF has many scholarships to be awarded to incoming undergraduate and graduate students. Scholarships are awarded by the Office of Student Financial Aid, the Admissions Office, Academic Departments, and the Dean’s Office. Scholarship forms are available on-line at www.uwf.edu/finaid.

AMOUNT: Award amounts are specific to the scholarship awarded.

DEADLINE: Varies

2 FLORIDA FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION FOR STUDENTS

An on line application for state-funded financial aid programs is available at www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org. This application can be completed on line and is used for a variety of scholarships offered by the State of Florida. For additional information contact the Office of Student Financial Assistance at 1-888-827-2004.

AMOUNT: Award amounts are specific to the scholarship awarded.

DEADLINE: Varies

3 SCHOLARSHIP AMERICA

Scholarship America is the nation’s largest nonprofit, private sector scholarship education support organization. Their web site, www.scholarshipamerica.com provides resources for students in the areas of career exploration, preparation for college, financial aid, and a variety of other topics.

4 P.E.O. EDUCATIONAL LOAN FUND AND PROGRAM FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION

The P.E.O. Education Loan fund offers low interest (4%) loans to women who desire higher education and are in need of financial assistance. Applicant must be a high school graduate (or equivalent), a citizen or legal permanent resident of the United States or Canada. Two co-signers are required and both the applicant and co-signer must have good credit records. At the time the loan is drawn the applicant must be within two years, but not less than four months, within completing the course of study for which the loan was approved. For additional information contact Carol Stark, P.E.O. Education Loan Fund, at (850) 934-5836.

AMOUNT: Up to \$9,000

The program for Continuing Education is a need based grant. To qualify a student must have had at least 24 consecutive months as a non-student during her adult life, and must be within 24 consecutive months of completing her education goal (academic or technical). Applications are due between 4 months and 8 weeks before funds are needed. For further information contact Suzanne Carlton, Chairman of Program for Continuing Education at (850) 476-8845.

AMOUNT: Up to \$2,000

**5 FELLOWS
MEMORIAL FUND
SCHOLARSHIP
LOANS**

Scholarship loans are available to students who are residents of Northwest Florida studying medicine, theology, and professional nursing and medical technology, and other select programs. Loan amounts will be determined by the applicant’s need. Favorable interest rates apply, with repayment starting four months after graduation. For additional information, contact Virginia Santoni, PJC Financial Aid Department, 484-1682.

**6 MORRIS K.
UDALL
FOUNDATION
SCHOLARSHIP**

Applicants should be college sophomores or juniors with outstanding potential and studying the environment or related fields; also, Native American and Alaska Native sophomores or juniors with outstanding potential and studying fields related to health care or tribal public policy; minimum 3.0 grade point average; U.S. citizen, U.S. national or resident alien. Students must be nominated by the college. Contact the PJC Scholarship Office regarding application forms and nomination. Additional information can be found at www.udall.gov. **All materials required for nomination must be available for review by the PJC nominating representative by the deadline date below.**

AMOUNT: Up to \$5,000

DEADLINE: February 8, 2010 (for PJC Scholarship Office)

**7 AMERICAN
WELDING
SOCIETY
FOUNDATION
SCHOLARSHIP**

Several scholarships are offered to students planning on pursuing a four-year degree majoring in welding engineering, welding engineering technology, and civil engineering. Scholarships are also available for students enrolling in a welding-related educational or training program. Information is available at www.aws.org/foundation/ or at the PJC Scholarship Office.

AMOUNT: Up to \$2,500

DEADLINE: February 15, 2010

**8 USA FUNDS
ACCESS TO
EDUCATION
SCHOLARSHIP**

USA Funds will award up to \$1 million in scholarships to students with economic need through USA Funds Access to Education Scholarships. Eligibility requirements and application information is available at the web site https://www.usafunds.org/planning/access_to_education_scholarship/index.html.

AMOUNT: \$1,500

DEADLINE: February 15, 2010

9 **BEST BUY @15 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

Best Buy @15 Scholarship Program will award 1,000 scholarships to students in grades 9-12 living in the U.S. or Puerto Rico who are involved in volunteer efforts in their schools and communities, and/or have a work history. Students must be planning to attend a college, university or technical school in the fall immediately following their high school graduation. For information go to http://www.bestbuyinc.com/community_relations/scholarship.htm.

AMOUNT: \$1,000

DEADLINE: February 15, 2010

10 **SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MILITARY CHILDREN PROGRAM**

Applicants must be children of active duty, Reserve/Guard and retired military personnel; enrolled in or planning to enroll full-time in the fall 2008 in a program that will lead to a four-year degree; and have a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average. Students attending a community or junior college must enroll in a program of study designed to allow the student to transfer directly into a four-year program. For additional information go to www.militaryscholar.org. Applications are available at your local commissary.

AMOUNT: \$1,500

DEADLINE: February 17, 2010

11 **FLORIDA STATE ASSOCIATION OF SUPERVISORS OF ELECTIONS SCHOLARSHIP**

Applicants must meet the following criteria: be either a political science/public or business administration or journalism/mass communication major; citizen of the United States; a resident of Florida for two years preceding the academic year for which application is made; be enrolled or accepted as a full-time student in a senior college or university in Florida; have finished two years of junior college or undergraduate work prior to enrollment for the term for which the application is made; demonstrate financial need; have maintained a "C" average or above for the previous year; and **be a registered voter**. Additional information and applications are available at the PJC Scholarship Office.

AMOUNT: \$1,200

DEADLINE: March 19, 2010

12 **UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP**

Scholarships are available to transfer students through the University of Central Florida Alumni Association. Applicants must have a minimum grade point average of 3.5, strong academic ability and significant extracurricular and community involvement, and plan on enrolling at UCF as a full-time student. Application packet is available at www.ucfalumni.com/scholarships and in the PJC Scholarship Office.

AMOUNT: Up to \$2,000

DEADLINE: March 31, 2010

- 13 **AARP FOUNDATION WOMEN'S SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**
- The AARP Foundation's Women's Scholarship Program provides scholarship funds to women 40+ seeking new job skills, training, and educational opportunities to support themselves and their families. Applicants should be women age 40 or over by March 31, 2010, U.S. citizens, able to demonstrate financial need, and enrolled in an accredited school or technical in the U.S. within 6 months of the scholarship award date. Additional information and a link to the application is available at <http://www.aarpfoundationwlc.org>.

AMOUNT: Up to \$5,000

DEADLINE: March 31, 2010

- 14 **AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY R.O.C.K. COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP**
- The American Cancer Society's R.O.C.K. College Scholarship Program is for Florida residents who have had a diagnosis of cancer before age 21. Applicants must be under 21 at the time of application and must attend an accredited school within Florida. Students can obtain additional information and complete an application at www.cancer.org/rockscholarship.

AMOUNT: Up to \$3,300

DEADLINE: April 10, 2010

- 15 **ADDITIONAL LINKS**
- These links may be helpful in providing scholarship information:

www.college-scholarships.com

www.fastweb.com

www.scholarships.com

www.gibill.va.gov

www.WeeklyScholarshipAlert.org

