Essence of a Haitian Woman Scholarship

The minority of Haitian women in the Business industry underscores a need for recruitment. Thus, through our foundation, we are an outreach apparatus, aimed at challenging that deficit. Through our Scholarship Foundation, promising young women of Haitian descent can realize their dreams in pursuing an accelerated education in Business. The foundation includes raising funds to provide scholarships to female students currently at Florida A&M University and female adolescents in the Miami-Dade, Broward or West Palm Beach County Public High Schools.

Our mission is to empower female adolescents and young women of Haitian descent by providing mentoring opportunities between them and women in the professional sector, while significantly increasing the number of Haitian women in the areas of: International Business, Business Administration, Business Management, Accounting, Marketing, Finance and Entrepreneurship.

Qualifiers

High School senior: The scholarship renders $500-$1,000 scholarships to promising female adolescents of Haitian, who are: 1) Academically successful high school seniors, aspiring to achieve a business degree at Florida A&M University. The graduating senior will be a student at one of the Miami Dade, Broward, or West Palm Beach Public High Schools. The student must have an overall un-weighted grade point average of 3.0 or above. You must provide a copy of your high school transcript, and an official acceptance letter from Florida A&M University indicating admittance and major. The applicant must submit an essay with the application. An essay topic is listed on the application below.

*The scholarship is conditional upon the promising seniors’ first semester grades at Florida A&M University, which recipients are required to maintain a minimum 3.0 grade point average, and provide documentation of her second semester enrollment. Upon receipt of the scholarship recipients’ first semester grades, the students are awarded the scholarship during the spring semester.

College student: A college freshman, sophomore, junior, senior or graduate student from Florida A&M University pursuing an undergraduate and/or graduate degree from Florida A&M University in the areas of International Business, Business Administration, Business Management, Accounting, Marketing, Finance and Entrepreneurship. She must be of Haitian descent. Must have an overall grade point average of 3.0 or above. You must provide a copy of your college transcript from FAMU indicating grade point average, classification, and major. An essay topic will be given at time of submittal.
About Scholars Today, Leaders of Tomorrow
Scholars Today, Leaders of Tomorrow (STLT) was founded by Dr. Cassandra Arnold, a proud 2004 Business Administration graduate from Florida A&M University. In 2005, she started Essence of a Haitian Woman Scholarship Foundation (EHW), a 501c3 non-profit and scholarship foundation, as a way to give back to FAMU, an institution that gave her so much in return. It was a vehicle to increase the number of young Haitian women pursuing a business degree at FAMU, by providing them with a scholarship. A couple of years later, EHW became Scholars Today, Leaders of Tomorrow, with a broader mission to educate, empower and equip teenagers and young adults with the skills to excel in the areas of academics, financial literacy, professional and career development, and community service. Housed under STLT, is the Thinking Ahead College Preparatory Program, Essence of a Haitian Women Scholarship Foundation, April L. Simmons STEM Scholarship for Girls and the Latitude Experience Scholars.

Florida A&M University (FAMU)
Ranked as a top-tier academic institution and #1 Public HBCU for consecutive years, FAMU’s academic achievements are what set it apart as a unique learning experience. In 2014, FAMU was recognized among the 2014 U.S. News & World Report’s “Best National Universities.” The U.S. News & World Report lists FAMU as the top public historically black college or university in the nation for 2015. It is also listed among The Princeton Review’s “Best in the Southeast” colleges and is one of the top picks for providing a high-quality education at an affordable price in Florida, according to The College Database (2013).

FAMU produces more African-American graduates than any institution. Because of FAMU’s high caliber STEM programs and rigorous training, FAMU serves as a satellite for rendering scholarships to academically astute young women.

FAMU values diversity in thought, perspective, and culture. The University enrolls nearly 10,000 students hailing from across the United States and more than 70 countries, including several African countries, the Bahamas, Brazil, Indonesia, China, and the United Arab Emirates, to name a few. The student body includes representatives from all ethnic, socio-economic, and religious backgrounds. Students seeking a challenging academic foundation will find a variety of programs to meet their career objectives at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University. The University offers 54 bachelor's degrees, 29 master's degrees, three professional degrees, and 12 doctoral programs in a wide range of academic areas.
Application

Essay Question: (1-page essay, single-spaced, & typed)

What woman of color in the Business field has most influenced your life either personally or professionally? (This woman does not have to be a world/national renowned figure as this can be a teacher, relative, parent, etc.). How and why has she most influenced you?

Date: ________________

Name: ________________________________________________________________

Address: ______________________________________________________________________________________________________

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Phone #’s: (Home) ___________________________________ (Cell) _______________________________________________

Social Security #   ___  ___  ___  -  ___  ___  -  ___  ___  ___  ___  ___

Email Address: _____________________________________________________________________________________________

Place an “X” on one of the following:

   _____ High School Senior

   _____ College Student

If a college student, please place an “X” on your classification:

   _____ Sophomore   _____ Junior   _____ Senior   _____ Graduate Student

GPA (Grade Point Average): ________  Intended /Current College Major: ______________________________

Club Affiliation and Organization Membership (Extra-Curricular Activities):

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Hobbies and Talents:

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Honors/Awards:

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Checklist for applicants

✓ Completed Application
✓ Essay
✓ Official College Transcript
✓ Official acceptance letter from Florida A&M University indicating admittance and major (High school senior only)
✓ Application must be mailed and postmarked by April 6, 2020.

Any questions, email Dr. Cassandra Arnold at c_theramene@yahoo.com

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