History and Overview

The HER Scholarship program seeks to help women gain access to economic self-sufficiency and long lasting financial security through higher education. Founded by Annette Stoddard Freeman and Sally Grootemaat in 1994, the inspiration for the scholarship came from Annette’s own experience as a widow facing difficult financial circumstances after the death of her first husband. Over the years, many donors have given generously to build the fund for the benefit of women students.

Award Range: $3,000 - $5,000 per student, per academic year

Participating Schools, Applicants must attend one of these schools.

- Alverno College
- Mount Mary College
- University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee

Purpose/Use

- The HER Scholarship may be used for tuition, books, fees, and equipment needed for coursework.
- The HER Scholarship may be renewed for up to two years.

Selection Criteria

1. Clear articulation of educational goals and strong commitment to learning.
2. Awareness of the importance of women's leadership.
3. Embodiment of the spirit of the HER Scholarship.

Requirements, Applicants must meet all of these.

- Completing first undergraduate degree.
- A woman, 35 years or older.
- Sophomore, Junior or Senior.
- Carry a minimum of 9 credits (per semester).
- Cumulative GPA of 2.75, minimum.
- Demonstrated financial need.
- Resident of Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Waukesha, or Washington County.

Application Deadline: Monday, April 27, 2020
# HER Scholarship Application

Please know that this information will be held confidential and used only for the purpose of HER Scholarship application process.

Please print or type.

Name
First, Middle, Last

Address
City, State, Zip

Phone  Email

Birthdate  Student ID Number

List ALL the colleges/universities you have attended (with year/s.). If you earned a B.A. / B.S. degree, you are not eligible for a HER Scholarship.

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1. Which school do you attend now?
   - Alverno College, Mt Mary University, or UWM

2. What program or major are you pursuing?

3. Class Standing  Total Credits to date
   - Sophomore, Junior, Senior

4. Expected Graduation Date (Month/Year)

5. Cumulative GPA  GPA Last Semester
   - Not applicable for Alverno College students

6. Will you be a full-time student in the next school year?  Yes  No

7. How many credits do you anticipate taking (in each semester)?

Application Information

- **Personal Background and Education Goals**
  Please describe yourself and your education goals. Describe a challenge you’ve overcome; indicate why receiving this scholarship would be helpful. Share any special circumstances you would like the Selection Committee to consider. (No more than 2 pages.)

- **Community Service**
  Please describe your community service and interest in issues important to women. Feel free to share a list of organizations, clubs etc. (present and/or past; volunteer or otherwise) you’ve been involved with or supported. (No more than 1 page.)

- **Recommendations**
  Please submit recommendations from two faculty or staff members supporting your application.

- **Transcript**
  Please include a copy of your transcript. (An unofficial version is acceptable.)

WOMEN’S FUND HER SCHOLARSHIP
(This page must be submitted with your completed application)
CONSENT TO RELEASE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

I, ___________________________________________ (PRINT NAME), hereby authorize the UW-Milwaukee Department of Financial Aid to release my completed scholarship application, including reference letters and unofficial transcript, to the Women’s Fund of Greater Milwaukee and individuals involved with the Her Scholarship program.

_____________________________ (Hand sign or use digital signature) Date

CONSENT TO DISCLOSE EDUCATIONAL RECORD INFORMATION

I, ___________________________________________ (PRINT NAME), hereby authorize the UW-Milwaukee Department of Financial Aid to disclose and transmit to the Women’s Fund of Greater Milwaukee and to individuals involved with the Her Scholarship program a copy of my educational records described below:

- Contact information including current email address, school attended, semester and cumulative grade point averages, semester and cumulative credits completed, field of study or major, and actual or expected graduation date.

The purpose of this disclosure is to provide the Her Scholarship Committee with information regarding my eligibility for continuing (renewal) scholarship assistance, and to collect data to measure the success of the scholarship program (if I should be chosen as a recipient).

In addition, I authorize the Women’s Fund of Greater Milwaukee to use my name in Women’s Fund publications as a recipient of this scholarship.

_____________________________ (Hand sign or use digital signature) Date

Submit Application To: Coleen Dunlap, Scholarship Coordinator
Department of Financial Aid, UW-Milwaukee
cdunlap@uwm.edu

NOTE: Applications cannot be accepted via U.S. mail, fax, or in-person in the Financial Aid Office. Campus offices are closed for an indefinite time period due to the coronavirus pandemic. Application materials, including letters of recommendation, should be sent to the above email.

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