

ABRAMSON SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION
APPLICATION ESSAY & SHORT RESPONSE QUESTIONS

Please note, the application will not autosave your responses. Therefore, we suggest you draft your responses in a separate Google or Word document and then copy them into the application form when you are ready to submit.

Note on AI: ASF understands that applicants may choose to use AI tools to support their Scholar application. We expect applicants to remain fully responsible for the originality, accuracy, and integrity of all submitted content. Reviewers are looking for thoughtful, personal, and authentic responses. Applicants who take the time to share their individual stories, perspectives, and genuine voices typically stand out and are more successful. We're not looking for flawless writing or perfect grammar; we're looking for your authentic voice. Tell us your story in your own words. We want to understand who you are, not just how well you can write. We will ask you to share how you have used AI tools, if at all, as part of the application and to affirm that the content is an honest reflection of your voice and experiences.

Short Answer (please limit your responses to 250 words or less per question)

1. Abramson Scholars receive more than a check! Our Scholars actively engage in 1:1 comprehensive mentoring throughout their time in college. In addition ASF Scholars join a community of Scholars and alumni and participate in programming to support academic, professional, social/emotional, and financial goals. How would becoming part of the Abramson Scholarship Foundation's program help you to achieve your goals and why?
2. Using bullet points, please list two things you'd want your mentor to know about you in order to best support you as you transition to college.
3. Using bullet points, please list two questions you have about the transition to college that you hope a mentor can support you with.
4. What should we know about you that is not conveyed elsewhere in your application? Please be specific. This is your opportunity to tell us why you are a deserving candidate and what makes you different from other applicants.

Essay Question (please limit your response to 500 words or less)

Please select **one** essay topic from the list. Please note, your essay will be read by a committee. You are not obligated to disclose any personal information that you are not comfortable sharing with a group. We encourage you to write about topics which are most meaningful to you and that you are comfortable sharing with others.

Essay options (you only need to select one essay topic for your response):

1. Some students have a background, identity, interest, or talent that is so meaningful they believe their application would be incomplete without it. If this sounds like you, then please share your story.
2. The lessons we take from obstacles we encounter can be fundamental to later success. Recount a time when you faced a challenge, setback, or failure. How did it affect you, and what did you learn from the experience?

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