



2025 Grace Misztal Scholarship

AFT-Oregon, AFL-CIO

For Members' Dependents for Post-Secondary Education \$3,000 Scholarship Application

The Grace Misztal Scholarship is available to AFT-Oregon member's children/grandchildren/dependents who are part of a marginalized community and/or demonstrates that their studies will work to advance the cause of social justice and the ending of discrimination.

Grace Misztal, daughter of Deirdre Mackey, AFT-Oregon Program Coordinator, passed away in a tragic accident on December 25, 2017. They will be remembered as individuals who mediated differences between others and sought to understand the values and experiences of people, always trying to identify and respect the sincerity and nobility that people brought to a cause or issue.

Eligibility

- Must be a union member in good standing with an AFT-Oregon associated [local](#)
- Must be enrolled or enrolling in an accredited higher education program

Instructions

- **Application** – Complete the written statement (instructions below) and don't forget the signed and dated certification at the end of the essay. Be sure to *sign* the application. Electronic signatures are acceptable.
- **Deadline** – All materials must be received (emailed or postmark stamped) by **March 17, 2025**.
- **Winners notified** – Spring 2025.
- **Award Presentation** – The AFT-Oregon Convention at [Seaside Convention Center](#), on Saturday May 10th, in-person or remotely.
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Applications

Email completed materials as attachments to: alex.v@pccffap.org

or mail to:

AFT-Oregon Scholarship Program
10228 SW Capitol Hwy
Portland, Oregon 97219

Scholarship information and applications are available at www.aft-oregon.org
or contact Susan Watters at 971-888-5665.

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Application**

Name:

Dependent's Name:

Relationship:

Address:

Cell Phone:

Email Address:

AFT-Oregon Local Name:

Local Number:

Employer Name:

Job Title:

To complete the application, please sign after reading the following statement:

"I attest that I am a dues-paying member of a local union affiliated with AFT-Oregon, which has my permission to speak with local officers to verify any claims contained herein, including information about my employment, education and membership status."

Applicant Signature:

Date:

Dependent's Signature:

Date:

Written Statement

- **Topic:** "Why activism and advocacy is important to advance the cause of social justice and end discrimination and demonstrate how your studies will work to address the issue." Include where you plan to attend school, area of study and career you plan to pursue with this education.
- The document should be typewritten, double spaced, and between 250 and 500 words.
- Preferred file formats are Word (.docx), Google Docs, or Adobe Reader (.pdf)
- The end of your essay must include the following certification which must be signed and dated: **"I hereby certify that this essay is an original composition created by me without assistance."** Electronic signatures are acceptable.

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