

Spring 2023



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SCHOLARSHIPS



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PTK Scholarship URL

It takes you to this URL: <https://www.ptk.org/scholarships/>



With over \$246 million in scholarships for eligible members, Phi Theta Kappa helps you finish the dreams you started. [See additional scholarships offered exclusively for PTK members](#) by our four-year college partners. (UAGC)

Scroll Down for More Info!

Take Advantage of Phi Theta Kappa's Scholarship Opportunities

Scholarships are the #1 reason students join PTK. Here's why: we offer two types of scholarships to help students complete an associate degree and prepare for transfer to a four-year college. Nearly \$1 million in competitive scholarships are offered through PTK's Foundation to support students to complete a degree.

PTK's competitive scholarship application has two program deadlines.

Spring Programs available now through May, 15th.

- Leaders of Promise
- IPSLEI (Graham/Coleman/Resurreccion)
- Workforce Development
- Regional Scholarships

Fall Programs available July 1st – December 1st

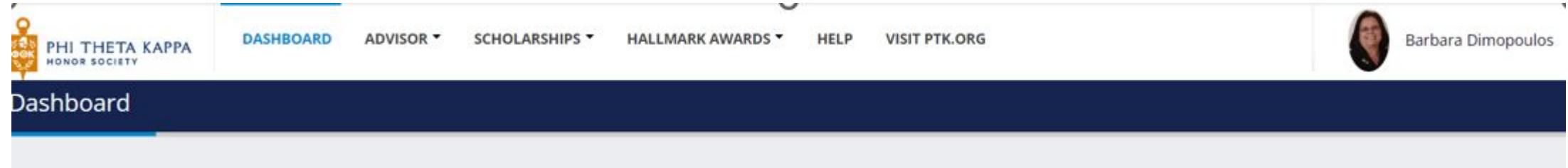
- All-USA/New Century/Coca-Cola Academic Team
- AMSA Pre-Med Scholarship
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- TEK
- Workforce Development
- Regional Scholarships



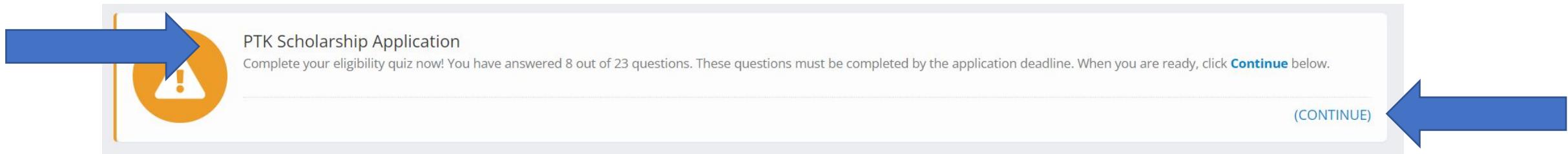
Apply Now

Log in to your application at the beginning of each semester to update your eligibility quiz to determine if you are eligible for scholarships.

Hit 'Apply Now' Button



The screenshot shows the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society website's dashboard. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the following items: PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY logo, DASHBOARD (which is the active tab, indicated by a blue underline), ADVISOR, SCHOLARSHIPS, HALLMARK AWARDS, HELP, and VISIT PTK.ORG. To the right of the navigation bar is a user profile for Barbara Dimopoulos, showing her name and a small profile picture. The main content area is titled "Dashboard".



The screenshot shows the "PTK Scholarship Application" page. It features a large orange circular icon with a white exclamation mark inside, accompanied by a blue arrow pointing towards it. The text on the page reads: "PTK Scholarship Application" and "Complete your eligibility quiz now! You have answered 8 out of 23 questions. These questions must be completed by the application deadline. When you are ready, click **Continue** below." At the bottom right of the application box is a blue button labeled "(CONTINUE)". A blue arrow points from the top left towards the orange icon, and another blue arrow points from the bottom right towards the "(CONTINUE)" button.

Eligibility Survey

MUST Complete and Submit



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 **Eligibility**

Spring Deadline: Monday, May 15, 2023
Leaders of Promise, IPSLEI programs, Hurst, Walgreens and Workforce Development

Fall Deadline: Thursday, December 1, 2023 (Fall App tab available 7/1/23)
All USA/New Century/Coca-Cola, Guistwhite, Hites, Hurst, Walgreens and AMSA pre-med

Your acknowledgement will let PTK staff, nominators, advisors, and judges know that you understand and agree to all terms of this application as outlined below:

1. Click [here](#) for a detailed list of the required elements for this application.
2. **All scholarships offered on this application* require students to be enrolled in associate degree or certificate level coursework in a minimum of six semester credit hours (9 quarter credit hours) through December 31, 2023.** *Hurst and Walgreens do not have minimum credit hour enrollment eligibility.
3. If you are not currently enrolled, you are not eligible to apply. PTK Alumni who have already transferred to a four-year college are not eligible to apply.
4. The minimum GPA for all programs (except Hurst and Walgreens) is 3.50. If your GPA is below the minimum, you are not eligible.
5. Click [here](#) for program eligibility.
6. For program eligibility and access to the application, you must complete the eligibility quiz.
7. The Eligibility Quiz IS NOT the entire PTK Scholarship Application, it serves to assist you in determining the scholarships for which you are eligible.
8. You will NOT be considered for any scholarship until your application is complete.
9. **Update your application once a semester so that your eligibility for programs continues through the final closing date.**
10. If you are eligible for scholarships on this application, tabs will open for completion.
11. If you are ineligible to apply, you will not receive access to the application.

SCHOLARSHIP RESOURCES



Need Help?

[Check out our downloads, tutorials, FAQs, and more!](#)

Email scholarships@ptk.org or call [\(601\) 987-5741](tel:(601)987-5741), Mon.-Fri., 8:30 AM-5 PM CST.

Kristen Ware Scholarship Specialist PTK HQ

View Kristen's video to see how you can become a WINNER, too!

[How You Can Get a Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship](#) 47:20



MERRITT COLLEGE

Academic Senate
Scholarships Spring 2023

Merritt College Academic Senate Scholarship Information

It's student scholarship season once again, and the Academic Senate is sponsoring eleven scholarships for a total of \$8800 in awards this year, including one brand new scholarship in honor of the late Jennifer Briffa. The full scholarship information packet (including the application, recommendation, and personal statement forms) is available online on the Merritt College and Merritt College Academic Senate websites and via the following links:

- [MCAS Scholarship Information Packet 2023](#)
- [MCAS Scholarship Application Packet 2023](#)
- [MCAS Scholarship Personal Statement 2023](#)
- [MCAS Scholarship Recommendation Form 2023](#)

(The forms are all fillable PDFs, which only require Adobe Acrobat Reader to open and complete.)

**All scholarship applications and accompanying documents are due by email to
Frances Moy (fmoy@peralta.edu) by Friday, April 14, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.**



**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF
MERRITT COLLEGE**

ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Links to ASMC Scholarships

[https://www.merritt.edu/
student-life/student-sch
olarships/](https://www.merritt.edu/student-life/student-scholarships/)

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS-VERSION 1

2023 Associated Students of Merritt College (ASMC) Scholarships

In 2023, the Associated Student of Merritt College (ASMC) has allocated up to \$2900 in scholarships. The Council has approved to offer three more scholarship to students approved to participate in the Merritt College Study Abroad program. There are seventeen (17) scholarship available. For more information, click the [link](#) below. The deadline to apply is Friday, April 14, 2023, at 4:30 PM.

- 2023 ASMC Athletics Scholarship
- 2023 ASMC Financial Assistance Scholarship
- 2023 ASMC Hardship Challenge Scholarship
- 2023 Jeremiah Walker Memorial Scholarship
- 2023 ASMC Leadership Scholarship
- 2023 ASMC Significant Improvement Scholarship
- 2023 ASMC Single Parent Scholarship
- 2023 Merritt Study Abroad Scholarships

Deadline Friday April 7th, 2023

Each Peralta college will award two \$750 scholarships
One districtwide NAACP \$1000 scholarship Two
districtwide African International \$1000 scholarships

Email: scholarshipsfrompaaaa@gmail.com

Scholarships to be awarded to African American
students attending a Peralta community college, who
demonstrate academic achievement, leadership skills,
and community service in the African American
community to help them continue their education.

For additional information
about eligibility and link to
application please scan QR
Code.



**Peralta Association of African American Affairs
(PAAAAA)
Scholarships**

Apply to all colleges
attending in spring 2023.

College of Alameda Berkeley City College Laney College Merritt College Peralta Community College District

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6 Full Program Scholarships

For PTK Members and Alumni

Accepting applications
Jan. 6 - March 31, 2023



SCHOLARSHIP INCLUDES:

- Full-program* tuition at Bachelor's, Master's or Doctoral degree level
- Books and CDM credit for the entire program
- Technology Fee waiver for the entire program
- Graduation Fee waiver
- Choose your next degree from over 50 UAGC programs** offered through the Forbes School of Business and Technology® and the College of Arts and Sciences

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WHO IS UAGC?

The University of Arizona Global Campus is a 100% online university with weekly start dates*** and 24/7 support provides busy adults a way to fit college into their lives. Each online course is taken one at a time and lasts for just 5 or 6 weeks†, so you can continue to enjoy every aspect of your life while earning your degree.

TO CHECK YOUR ELIGIBILITY AND APPLY TODAY, VISIT
UAGC.EDU/PARTNERSHIPS/ACADEMIC/PHI-THETA-KAPPA-SCHOLARSHIP

*Additional program-specific fees may be the responsibility of the student. Value of scholarship depends on whether a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree is awarded.

**Certain degree programs may not be available in all states.

†Availability of start dates is based on program selection.

‡Doctoral candidates must complete 9 months.

The University of Arizona Global Campus is an online university in the United States and is not physically located in any other country. Certain degree programs may not be available in all U.S. states or foreign countries. Contact Global Campus at 1-855-805-6911 or corporateoperations@staff.uagc.edu for more information about program availability, student eligibility, and application requirements. To view a complete list of degrees, courses, and emphases, visit UAGC.EDU/ONLINE-DEGREES.

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The University of Arizona Global Campus (UAGC) is a 100% online university with scholarships for PTK members, alumni and advisors up through a Ph.D.!

Our PTK University Partnership Coordinator is Joni Stead. Contact her for more information about UAGC. She would love to hear from you.

joni.stead@uagc.edu

1-858-668-2586 EXT. 21166

(The second round will be in June 2023 if you miss this application deadline.)

The Application Process

1. Read all scholarship criteria carefully and thoroughly. (Not sure if you qualify? Let the committee decide or check with a reliable person who has experience with scholarship apps.)
2. If you qualify, note that one and its URL on your list.
3. Check the deadlines!
4. Prioritize applications by deadline and award amounts.
5. Obtain unofficial PCCD transcript through Student Center Portal. Free.
6. If a letter of recommendation is required, send out professional emails to professors, administrators, community leaders, etc.
7. Do NOT procrastinate. Get started TODAY.

Tips for Writing Winning Essays

1. Search the many resources on the internet.
2. Find one that works for you.
3. Be sure to follow the essay prompt.
4. Write your draft.
5. Get feedback from: advisor, tutors in the Learning Center, the Regional Alumni Association, others.
6. If feedback is relevant, re-write.
7. Check English mechanics, spelling, grammar, etc.
8. Read your essay out loud.
9. Use sans serif fonts for readability: Arial, Tahoma, etc.
10. Use 12-point font unless otherwise directed.

<https://essayservice.com/blog/scholarship-essay>

Practical Scholarship Essay Tips

- The inspiration can strike in the most unlikely places, so get ready for that.
- Create a roadmap for where you're going.
- Carefully read the scholarship essay prompts.
- Highlight your resilience and future aspirations.
- Turn your scholarship application essay into a gripping narrative.
- Be proud, but stay humble.
- Don't mix up a scholarship essay with a resume.
- Beware of the writing pitfalls



Letter of Recommendation

Helpful Hints:

1. Request from at least 3 faculty: chapter advisor, instructor, counselor or librarian, community leader, or employer.
2. Include important information in your email request:
 - a. Name of scholarship and importance to you.
 - b. Deadline: give at least 1 ½ weeks BEFORE actual deadline. PST
 - c. Ask to have it emailed to you to upload if possible.
 - d. Include at least a draft of a personal statement and/or a current resume.
 - e. Inform person of your future college/career plans, your current GPA and major/minor.
3. Email “gentle” reminders a week before deadline if you haven’t received it/them.
4. Select the best ONE from the 3 letters of recommendation and upload into APP site.
5. Send a “Thank-You” email when letter is received.
6. Inform recommender that you are a WINNER!







Contact Information

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Merritt College PTK Website:
<https://www.merritt.edu/phi-theta-kappa/>
(Updated weekly.)