

## 2020 STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

### Instructions and Information

**Submission deadline: November 20, 2020**

### KeyPoint Credit Union Scholarship Program

KeyPoint Credit Union will award seven (7) “Educational” Scholarships in the amount of \$500 each in 2020 to members in good standing of KeyPoint Credit Union who are pursuing academic, professional and/or vocational education through a course of study at a post-secondary school, college or university. [Applicants must become a member to apply, see details below]. Scholarship program consists of the following:

One (1) - \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a member in good standing who is a full-time student currently enrolled at San Jose State University.

Two (2)- \$500 scholarships will be awarded to members in good standing who are full-time students currently enrolled at Mission College or De Anza College.

Two (2) - \$500 scholarships will be awarded to members in good standing who are full-time students currently enrolled at UC Santa Barbara or Santa Barbara City College.

Two (2) - \$500 scholarships will be awarded to members in good standing who are full-time students currently enrolled in any college, university, or accredited vocational institution in the United States.

Individuals interested in applying for this scholarship must meet all eligibility requirements and conditions set forth in this document and submit a completed KeyPoint Credit Union 2020 Student Scholarship Application with supporting documents as described in the application. Completed application packages will only be accepted via e-mail.

Please read the following information and instructions:

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

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**Q. What are the requirements to be eligible to apply for a scholarship?**

A. Applicant must be a member in good standing of KeyPoint Credit Union. Good standing is determined by the individual’s responsible account maintenance with no outstanding negative balances, fees, or other sums owed to the Credit Union (other than loans with no late payments or deficiencies).

A. Applicant must attend a college or university and be enrolled with a minimum of 12 units for undergraduate students or 8 units for graduate and post-graduate students.

**Q. Can I apply for a scholarship if I have already graduated from high school or I am already in college?**

A. Yes, you may apply for the scholarship after you graduate from high school and are accepted into college. Incoming college freshmen must submit a letter of acceptance from the school.

**Q. Can I apply if I have already completed my undergraduate degree and attend graduate or post-graduate school?**

A. Yes, the scholarship program is open to undergraduate, graduate and post-graduate students.

**Q. Can I apply again if I was awarded a KeyPoint scholarship in the past?**

A. No. While we do appreciate your membership and your successful scholarship application in the past, we would like to give other members a chance to win.

**Q. Can I apply for more than one scholarship.**

A. No, only one entry is allowed for the scholarship program. Example: If you are enrolled at Mission College, your application will be reviewed in the application pool for the scholarship for Mission College or De Anza College students.

**Q. Do I have to put a special code for the application?**

A. No, we will use the school's name.

**Q. I just graduated; can the scholarship go toward my student loan?**

A. No, Applicant must currently attend a college or university and be enrolled with a minimum of 12 units for undergraduate students or 8 units for graduate and post-graduate students in order to qualify for the scholarship. We will request proof of enrollment before we award the scholarship.

**Q. Are KeyPoint Credit Union employees, volunteers and their immediate family members eligible to apply for the Student Scholarship?**

A. No, they are not eligible.

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**MEMBERSHIP**

**Q. Do I have to open an account with KeyPoint Credit Union before I apply for the scholarship?**

A. Yes, you must have a KeyPoint Credit Union account or KeyPoint Credit Union loan before applying.

**Q. How can I become a member of KeyPoint Credit Union?**

A. You can become a member by either of the following methods:

- Go to [www.kpcu.com](http://www.kpcu.com) to open an account or loan or visit one of our convenient branch locations.

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**SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS**

**Q. How will I find out if I have been awarded a scholarship?**

A. The scholarships will be awarded in December 2020. All applicants will receive an email from the Credit Union regarding the outcome of their application. KeyPoint Credit Union will issue the scholarship funds directly to the educational institution in which the scholarship recipient is enrolled or plans to attend in Spring 2021. We will work with you and your school on the distribution of the funds.

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**ESSAY**

Write a 500-word essay (typed, and double spaced and save as PDF file) on the following topic:

The pandemic has brought many changes to how we live our lives. Shelter in place, online classes, working from home and standing in line for the supermarket are a few such examples. Please describe how these changes have affected your life and any lessons you may have learned that will help you in the future.

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**SCORING**

**Q. What are the scoring criteria?**

- Essay will be judged on its content, insight and originality. Handwritten essays will not be accepted.

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**SUBMISSION AND CONTACT INFORMATION**

**Completed application packages will only be accepted via e-mail.** Do not mail your application. Only e-mailed application packages will be considered. Please send all scholarship documents in one email as attachments to: [succeed@kpcu.com](mailto:succeed@kpcu.com)

How do I contact KeyPoint Credit Union if I have questions? E-mail us at: [succeed@kpcu.com](mailto:succeed@kpcu.com)

# 2020 KeyPoint Credit Union Scholarship



**Application Due Date: November 20, 2020**

Last name		First name		M.I.	Date of birth
Address			City	State	Zip
Home or cell phone number			Email address		
Current employer (if applicable)			Position/Title		Hours worked per week
Name of school you are presently attending			Major	Anticipated graduation date	
Name of school or program you plan to attend in Spring 2021			Currently enrolled?	School or program website or phone number	

Planned course of study

General Education
  Degree Program
  Certificate Program
  Professional/Management Program

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Prospective Schools: List school(s) with city/state to which you have applied for the Spring Semester (if applicable):**

School:	City	State	<input type="checkbox"/> Accepted <input type="checkbox"/> Pending
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**Volunteer and Community Service Projects (Use separate sheet if necessary):**

Activity/Event	Duties/Responsibilities	Year
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**Application Package Checklist. The items below must be returned with the application and submitted in an e-mail.**

**Late, incomplete or hard copy mailed applications will NOT be considered.**

- A Transcript including cumulative GPA. This can be a copy of the transcript. If you are chosen to receive a scholarship, we reserve the right to ask for official sealed transcript prior to release of scholarship funds otherwise your scholarship award will be forfeited.
- If you are a new high school graduate and have not yet started your freshman college Spring 2021 term, submit a copy of your high school transcript in lieu of a college transcript.
- Letter of acceptance (high school seniors only).
- Proof of enrollment from the school, college, or university you attend or plan to attend during the Spring 2021 quarter/semester. If you are not currently enrolled, you may submit proof of enrollment as soon as it is available. If you are chosen to receive a scholarship, proof of enrollment must be submitted prior to release of scholarship funds otherwise your scholarship award will be forfeited.
- Submission of typed essay (saved as PDF file)
- Completed and signed scholarship application

**Applicant Certification, Consent, and Release:**

I hereby submit my application for consideration to KeyPoint Credit Union. By signing below, I certify that:

- I agree to the terms and conditions set forth in this document.
- I am eligible to apply for this scholarship based on the Eligibility Requirements and Conditions set forth by KeyPoint Credit Union, and that the information on my application and supporting documents is true and correct.
- I understand all information and work submitted including written essay is original and will be electronically checked for copyright infringement. If the work I submit is found to infringe on someone else's work, I will no longer be considered for the scholarship. Original work also includes ideas and/or concepts.
- I understand the submission of this application does not guarantee payment of any awards, grants, or scholarships.
- I understand that if I am selected to receive a scholarship, I am required to be enrolled as student at a school, college, university, or educational program during the Spring 2021 term (a minimum of 12 units for undergraduate students or 8 units for graduate and post-graduate students). I must use the scholarship funds awarded to me by KeyPoint Credit Union for expenses directly related to my education, and that KeyPoint Credit Union may require proof of these expenses. I understand my failure to meet these requirements may result in a forfeiture of scholarship funds.
- I understand KeyPoint Credit Union will issue the scholarship funds directly to the educational institution in which I am attending or plan to attend in Spring 2021.
- I agree to allow KeyPoint Credit Union to use my name, photograph, original essay, video submission, and other information contained in my scholarship application and supporting documents for publicity purposes without receiving compensation, and I release KeyPoint from any liability related to these actions.

Applicant Signature

X

Date

**Parent/Legal Guardian Consent and Release:**

Must be completed if applicant is under the age of 18.

By signing below, I certify that:

- I am the parent and/or legal guardian of the applicant named above.
- On behalf of my minor child, I agree to the terms and conditions set forth in this document.
- I agree to allow KeyPoint Credit Union to use my minor child's name, photograph, original essay, video submission, and other information contained in my child's scholarship application and supporting documents for publicity purposes without compensation, and I release KeyPoint from any liability related to these actions.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

X

Print Name

Date

Please send all scholarship documents in one email as attachments to: [succeed@kpcu.com](mailto:succeed@kpcu.com)

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