



**THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE
OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS
OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

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APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Eligibility & Introduction:

The Grand Lodge of Masons of Massachusetts is pleased to offer the opportunity for scholarship grants which will help enable full-time, undergraduate affordability in an accredited educational institution. Eligibility is limited to:

- (1) a member in good standing of a Grand Lodge of Massachusetts constituent Lodge, or
- (2) a child or a grandchild of a Master Mason who is or was a member in good standing of a constituent lodge of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

The granting of a scholarship will be based upon a combination of the following: academic standing and achievements, broad participation in community and/or school activities, and financial need.

The scholarship will be for the upcoming academic year only. Scholarships are available for succeeding years and are based on your continued ability to meet eligibility requirements. A new application must be submitted each academic year to be considered. Having received a previous scholarship does not guarantee subsequent grants in the future.

To be considered, the application must be completed in its entirety with each of the required items and additional materials. You must submit the application and the required support materials to the Grand Lodge Scholarship Committee, Office of the Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Masons of Massachusetts, 186 Tremont Street, Boston, MA 02111-1095. Use the checklist included with this application to ensure that all items are submitted.

The Scholarship Committee must receive all applications no later than March 1, 2017. Applications received after this date will not be considered. Those awarded a scholarship will receive notification no later than June 30, 2017. No communication will be sent to those who applied and were not chosen. All Committee decisions are final.

After the Committee initially reviews the application, you may be requested to participate in a personal interview.

If a scholarship is granted, you must provide evidence of acceptance by, and matriculation into, an accredited educational institution before receiving any funds. Acceptable documentation is a transcript with proof of enrollment issued by the educational institution. **IMPORTANT:** Funds are disbursed at the **CONCLUSION** of each semester.

Scholarship recipients will be invited and encouraged to attend a recipients' reception. It is the intent of the Grand Lodge that the recipients view this reception as an opportunity to learn more about the Masonic fraternity in Massachusetts.



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2017/18 SCHOLARSHIP GRANT APPLICATION

FIRST TIME
(I did not receive a scholarship in 2016)

RETURNING APPLICANT
(I did receive a scholarship in a previous year.)

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Intended Field of Study: _____

Birthplace: _____ Birth Date: _____

Are you a resident of Bristol County, Massachusetts? Yes [] No []

Are you a member of DeMolay or Rainbow? Yes [] No [] If yes, what

Chapter or Assembly: _____ List office(s) held: _____

Are you a Master Mason? Yes [] No [] If yes, what Lodge?: _____

List offices held: _____

Family Information

Father: _____ Living [] Deceased []

Is your Father a Master Mason? Yes [] No [] If yes, what Lodge?: _____

List offices held: _____

Mother: _____ Living [] Deceased []

Parent's Marital Status: Together [] Separated [] Divorced []

Father's Occupation: _____ Mother's Occupation: _____

DUE DATE: MARCH 1, 2017

APPLICANT NAME: _____

Is your Grandfather a Master Mason? Yes [] No [] If yes, what Lodge?: _____

Grandfather's Name: _____ Living [] Deceased []
(Only complete if your Grandfather was a Master Mason)

List offices held: _____

SECONDARY SCHOOLS ATTENDED:

Date	Name of School	City & State
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

List all School & Community Activities not included on your transcript – (A separate sheet attached to this form is highly recommended.)

List total number of children dependent on parents/guardians: (Include yourself, brother(s) and sister(s) starting with the oldest)

Name	Age	School Attending	Employed
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

WORK EXPERIENCE – Include part-time during school year and seasonal/summer employment

Employment _____	Year _____	Hrs/Wks _____
Employment _____	Year _____	Hrs/Wks _____
Employment _____	Year _____	Hrs/Wks _____

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APPLICANT NAME: _____

EDUCATIONAL PLANS

If not presently attending college, complete Section A. (Please indicate which school you plan on attending with asterisks.) If already attending college, complete Section B.

A. Schools Applied To	Field of Study	Degree	Anticipated Acceptance Date
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
B. School Attending	Field of Study	Degree	Anticipated Year of Graduation
_____	_____	_____	_____

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT: Please include all of the following:

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA): Attach a signed copy of the FAFSA, Page 1 that includes the EFC number. *Be sure that any documentation that you submit relative to your FAFSA includes the EFC number. You are not required to submit a copy of either yours or your parents' tax forms.* You may submit any supporting documentation you so desire.

Student's statement outlining your anticipated college expenses, personal goals, accomplishments and reasons why this application should be considered: For this purpose attach a separate, typewritten sheet. Include in this statement your most important classes in the last four years and your most meaningful extra-curricular activities and why you consider them as such. Include an explanation of your plan for meeting your college tuition expenses. You may also describe any unusual circumstances, financial and otherwise, that should be considered when reviewing your application.

Parent's statement regarding why this application should be considered: For this purpose attach a separate, typewritten sheet. Please include in this statement information regarding the level of support you will be able to provide for the applicant, any unusual family financial circumstances or any other information you feel would be relevant. Indicate why you feel your child should be granted a scholarship from The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

Name, address, relationship and phone number of nearest relative not living with the student:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____ Phone No.: _____

I authorize the Grand Lodge Scholarship Committee and its employees, to speak with my parents or legal guardians regarding my scholarship and financial aid.

Signature of Applicant

Print Name

Signature of Father or Legal Guardian

Signature of Mother or Legal Guardian

Print Name

Print Name

All information received by the Scholarship Committee will be kept strictly confidential.

DUE DATE: MARCH 1, 2017

Application Checklist

Application form

- Completed application form. Do not omit any requested information. Make sure you and your parents sign the form.
- Submit an original application.
- Deadline for receipt of the application is March 1, 2017.**

Financial disclosure statement

- Include a complete **signed** copy of the latest FAFSA, Page 1 (The page must include your EFC Number). You may include any other additional information that will enable the committee to fully evaluate the specific financial need. You are not required to submit yours or your parents' tax forms.
- Written statement outlining your anticipated college expenses and how you anticipate paying these costs.

Academic history

- You must submit your high school transcript** if you are applying as an entering freshman. Please include your College Board (SAT or ACT) scores as well (*updated transcripts with mid-year grades and a final transcript may be required if you receive a scholarship and the scholarship may be withdrawn if there is a substantial change in your school record of achievement*).
- You must submit your college transcript** if you are currently enrolled in a college or university. You are not required to submit your high school transcript. *Official transcripts are not required with the application; an "unofficial" copy will suffice. If you are granted a scholarship, no funds will be made available until proof of enrollment is provided (see instructions).*

Recommendations (Not required for renewal applicants.)

- Current Recommendation from two teachers or counselors.
- Current Recommendation from one non-school, unrelated individual or employer.

Student's and Parents statement

- Personal typed letter to the Scholarship Committee indicating your goals, accomplishments and reasons you should be considered for a scholarship (see the previous page for a full description).
- Statement of parent or guardian indicating why he/she believes you should be considered for a scholarship (see the previous page for a full description).

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