

Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) Scholarship Application

Overview

This is a “needs-based” scholarship for students who have been adversely impacted by the downturn of the coal industry in the West Virginia counties of Boone, Lincoln, Logan, McDowell, Mingo, and Wyoming. The students must demonstrate a financial need, such as for tuition, textbooks, supplies, or other miscellaneous costs. The amount of the scholarship award will vary depending on the financial need. Those who qualify to apply for the scholarship are displaced coal miners and their immediate family members who reside in one of the counties listed above.

Criteria

1. The ARC Scholarship is a “needs-based” scholarship program for students who have been adversely impacted by the downturn in the coal industry. Eligible students must reside in the following ARC counties: Boone, Lincoln, Logan, McDowell, Mingo, and Wyoming. Priority consideration will be given to those students who reside in the ARC designated distressed counties of Lincoln and McDowell.
2. Students must complete FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) to be considered for this scholarship.
3. The scholarship must be used within the academic year in which it was awarded to cover educational expenses, such as tuition and textbooks; other necessary expenses may be supported if need is documented.
4. The student may apply for and receive the ARC scholarship award for no more than two (2) academic years.
5. Full-time students and part-time students enrolled for six (6) credit hours or more are eligible for the ARC Scholarship. Students must be working toward a certificate, an Associate Degree, or college credit courses that can be transferred to a four-year institution.

Instructions

Please fully complete application and submit it to Southern’s Development Office. Students will apply for the funds in conjunction with other applications for federal educational funding (FAFSA) and will need to apply each academic year for scholarship funding. Incomplete applications may not be considered.

Deadlines

Application deadline is July 1 for the Fall semester and January 1 for the Spring semester. **Only those selected for scholarships will be notified.**

You may submit your application in person, by mail or fax to the following:

Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College
Development Office
P. O. Box 2900
Mount Gay, West Virginia 25637
Phone: 304-896-7407, 304-896-7425, or 304-896-7406
Fax: 304-792-7173 – Email: Development@southernwv.edu

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Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Student ID: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Phone: _____

Southern E-Mail: _____ Other E-Mail (optional): _____

High School Graduate: ___ Yes ___ No Name of High School: _____ G.E.D.: ___ Yes ___ No

What is your current Grade Point Average? _____ If first time student, please attach high school transcript.

Are you presently attending Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College? ___ Yes ___ No

Please provide a brief statement concerning your college plans:

Please provide a brief statement explaining your financial need:

Have you completed and submitted the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for this academic year?

(Southern Foundation Policy states Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) completion is required to be eligible)

___ Yes ___ No If no, please submit why: _____

Please list the following information while attending Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College:

Academic Program/Major: _____ Full-time: _____ Part-time: _____

Please Read and Sign:

I authorize Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College and the Southern West Virginia Community College Foundation, Inc. to verify all information contained in this application. Any institution, agency, or individual may release information to the College or Foundation for verification purposes. I understand the College and Foundation may release this information for verification and/or publicity purposes. It is my responsibility to inform the Development Office staff of any scholarship, grant, or waiver received by me.

In submitting this application, I certify that all information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted.

Student Signature

Date

4/8/2015