RRCC Cyber Security Scholarship Program (CSSP) Fall 2014/Spring 2015 Application

Scholarship award up to \$3,750 per semester/\$7,500 per academic year **To be eligible for this scholarship you must meet the following criteria:**

Scholarship Requirements	Criteria
H.S. Grade Point Average	3.0 minimum
College Grade Point Average	3.0 minimum
Current attending college student	3.0 minimum
ACT scores	18 (English), 17(Reading Comprehension), 23
or	(Math) minimum scores
Accuplacer scores	95 (English), 70 (Reading Comprehension),
or	85 (Math) minimum scores
SAT scores	Verbal 440
	Math 570
Essay/Letter of Interest	500 word minimum - 850 word maximum
Two (2) Letters of Recommendation	Teacher/Faculty Member or Industry
	Professional
Demonstrate Financial Need	Submit the 2014-2015 FAFSA www.fafsa.gov
	(must submit FAFSA before April 1, 2014)
Enrolled full-time each semester in an Associate's	Computer Science, Cyber Security, Network,
degree program (Fall/Spring Semesters)	Programming Specialist, or Web Development
If selected, must meet with Cyber Security-specific	Scholarship recipient will be assigned a Cyber
advisor to the program.	Security-specific faculty mentor.

General Instructions:

- 1. Complete the RRCC admission's application. (http://rrcc.edu/admissions/)
- 2. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). (http://rrcc.edu/admissions/)
- 3. Complete RRCC Cyber Security Scholarship Program Application (see p. 2).
- 4. Attach essay/letter of interest (by student) to this application (see p. 3 for details).
- 5. Attach two letters of recommendation from STEM Faculty member or STEM Industry Professional to this application (see p. 3 for details).
- 6. If you will be graduating from high school in 2014, submit an official high school transcript:
 - Mail in <u>sealed</u> envelope with application to the address on p. 3 OR
 - Request high school to mail transcript directly to address on p. 3.
- 7. Send ACT or Accuplacer verification attached to CSSP application.
- 8. Submit official college transcript(s) if applicable.
 - 9. Deadline for submission of all materials: June 2, 2014 for Fall 2014 (no exceptions).



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RRCC Cyber Security Scholarship Program Application

Student Information		
Name: (Last, First, MI)		
RRCC Student ID: (S#)	S	
Address:		
City:	State: ZIP:	
Telephone:	Telephone	
Email address:		
Name of High School:	Planned College Major:	
High School- GPA:	OR Composite ACT Score:	
Current College Student: (yes / no)	Name of College:	
College Major:	Current GPA:	
Please indicate the area(s) of Cyber Security that interest you:		
Computer Science \square Networking \square	Web Development \square Programming \square	
Citizenship requirement: RRCC CSSP applicants must be citizens of the United States, nationals of the United States (as defined in section 101(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act), aliens admitted as refugees under section 207 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, or aliens lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence.		
Signature:	Date:	
With my signature I certify that the above information is true to the best of my knowledge and that I am a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States.		

Enrollment requirements:

Enrolled full time in a program leading to an Associate of Applied Science Degree in the following disciplines:

- Computer Science (AS degree)
- Cyber Security Specialist
- Network Specialist
- Programming Specialist
- Web/Application Development

Required Submissions:

Essay/letter of interest: Attach a 500 minimum - 850 maximum word essay. Explain why you deserve this scholarship and how your study within the cyber security field will contribute to your immediate or long-range career plans.

Two letters of recommendation: Attach two letters of recommendation from a STEM Teacher/Faculty member or a STEM Industry Professional who can attest to your work ethic, academic performance, and/or leadership ability. (RRCC CSSP Screening Committee members may **not** submit letters of recommendation on behalf of applicants.)

High School Transcript: Must be in <u>sealed envelope</u> with application or mailed directly from your high school to the address below. Submit only if you are currently a high school student.

College Transcript: Must provide copy of official college transcript if applicable.

ACT, SAT or Accuplacer Verification: Attach to application. A letter from your high school counselor can also provide verification.

Mail application and all documentation, including ACT and/or Accuplacer verification to:

Red Rocks Community College Financial Aid Office 13300 W. 6th Avenue, Lakewood, Colorado 80228 Attn: CSSP Scholarship Coordinator

Financial need:

1) The scholarship will depend on the need of the student according to the FAFSA. You must complete the 2014-2015 FAFSA online at http://www.fafsa.gov and have the results sent to Red Rocks Community College. School code/OPE ID is 009543. The website has a full list of the documentation you need. Red Rocks Community College Financial Aid Office will determine student need based on your Estimated Family Contribution (EFC). You can contact the Financial Aid Office at (303) 914-6256 or email finaid@rrcc.edu if you have questions about this requirement.

Selection Process:

RRCC's CSSP Advisory Screening Committee will evaluate applicants based on financial need, GPA (3.0), ACT scores (18—English, 17—Reading Comprehension, 23—Math minimum scores) or Accuplacer scores (95—English; 70—Reading Comprehension; 85—Math), an essay or letter of interest detailing why you deserve this scholarship and how your study within the cyber security field will contribute to your immediate or long-range career plans, and two (2) letters of recommendation from computer technology faculty members or industry professionals. *RRCC CSSP Screening Committee members may not submit letters of recommendation on behalf of applicants*. To receive a CSSP scholarship, students must be enrolled at RRCC full-time (12 credit hours) in a Computer Technology degree program at the associate's level. Recipients of a CSSP scholarship must be citizens or lawful permanent residents of the U.S. and eligible for Federal Financial Aid. CSSP funding will not be awarded during summer semesters.

Red Rocks Community College is committed to diversity in its people and programs. The College is an equal opportunity educational institution and does not discriminate on the basis of disability, race, creed, color, gender, sexual orientation, gender expression, religion, age, national origin, or ancestry, or any other category protected by applicable law. The College has designated the Human Resources Director as its Equal Opportunity Employment Officer and Title IX Administrator with the responsibility to coordinate its civil rights compliance activities and grievance procedures. Report all concerns or complaints relating to discrimination or harassment to the Title IX/EO Coordinator(s): Bill Dial, Director of Human Resources/Title IX Administrator, 13300 West Sixth Avenue, Lakewood, CO 80228. 303.914.6298. bill.dial@rrcc.edu.