



First Generation Scholarship 2016-2017

This scholarship is for first generation students who have earned a cumulative high school grade point average of 2.25 or higher, and demonstrates motivation and commitment to higher education. If granted, the scholarship will cover up to 12 credit hours of tuition only (no fees or books) for two academic years (fall and spring semesters). Please read the following scholarship guidelines before submitting your application.

Scholarship Guidelines

Students applying for a Red Rocks Community College scholarship must meet the following requirements and any additional criteria needed per scholarship.

- Apply for Admission to RRCC online at www.rrcc.edu (must be at least 17 years old)
- Be a Colorado Resident for tuition
- Be a U.S. citizen/eligible non-citizen
- Complete a scholarship application
- * Submitting the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is highly recommended

Additional Eligibility Criteria

- Cumulative GPA of **2.25 or higher** on a 4.0 scale (freshman through senior year). **Attach Transcript**
- **1st generation student** (neither parent has a bachelor's degree or higher).
- If your high school does not provide a transcript with grades, you must provide two sources of information to be considered for this scholarship:
 - ACT sub test scores with ENGL 18, READ 17, MATH 19 (for placement in College Algebra) or SAT test scores Verbal 440, MATH 460 or higher
 - Proof of a competitive process at your high school or portfolio
- Nomination by a high school counselor or teacher.
- Must be a graduate of the 2015-2016 academic year.

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Additional Scholarship Information

- Students must enroll for a minimum of 6 credit hours at RRCC during the fall and spring semester and maintain a 2.0 grade point average.
- The First Generation scholarship will cover up to 12 credit hours of **tuition only** (no fees or books). If a student enrolls for 6-11 credit hours, the award will be adjusted accordingly, ***covering only tuition incurred- No fees or books.***
- The approximate value of the scholarship is \$130.50 per credit hour. The actual value of the scholarship will be determined after the state legislature sets tuition rates in summer 2016.
- Scholarships or financial awards issued by the College, or the College Foundation, may be reduced if the student qualifies for a need-based financial aid award, according to federal or state guidelines.
- Students may only be eligible for one RRCC funded scholarship; Foundation awards excluded.
- Incomplete scholarship applications will not be considered.
- Completion of this scholarship application does not guarantee an award. All eligible scholarship applications will be reviewed after the deadline.
- **Please submit a complete Scholarship Application (Sections I through III), high school transcript and Red Rocks Application for Admission by [April 1, 2016](#) to:**

Financial Aid Office
Red Rocks Community College
13300 West Sixth Avenue, Box 4
Lakewood, CO 80228

303-914-6256
www.rrcc.edu



First Generation Scholarship Application 2016-2017

Deadline: April 1, 2016

Section I – To be completed by student

Please print

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

RRCC Student ID #: _____ Phone Number: _____

High School: _____ Graduation Date: _____
(month/year)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

I have read the First Generation scholarship guidelines (attached) and understand the requirements to be eligible for the award. I understand that I am bound by the academic progress standards needed to receive continued funding for this scholarship

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Section II: Essay

Please answer the following questions in essay format. Minimum of 100 words, typed using 12 point font.

- 1. Tell us how this scholarship will benefit you in attaining your educational goals.**
- 2. Explain why you feel education is important to your future.**

Section III: Counselor/Teacher Recommendation

Counselor/Teacher Information

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

High School: _____ Phone Number: _____

Student's Cumulative GPA: _____ (if weighted grades, please re-calculate to 4.0 scale)

Please tell us why you are recommending this student for this scholarship. (Refer to the attached cover sheet for eligibility criteria.) Attach additional sheet/letter.

Signature: _____ Date: _____