2015 Hospitality Student Scholarship Application
Each year, CFHLA awards over 30 Central Florida Students Hospitality Scholarships

Student Eligibility:
Applicants must be registered and a fully admitted student in a Central Florida Hospitality Program with a graduation date projected after September 2015.

Attendance is required for students at awards lunch on Thursday, April 30, 2015.

Please complete this application in its entirety and to the best of your ability. Please be concise, yet thorough, in your answers to assist the selection committee in evaluating your information and making a decision. APPLICATIONS THAT ARE NOT COMPLETE WILL NOT BE EVALUATED.

Scholarship recipients will be notified by April 14, 2015, and checks will be disbursed by July 1, 2015. Checks will be made payable to the school in the name of the recipient. This scholarship is intended for tuition fees and books only. Monies are accepted by the school according to their specific requirements. Any funds returned by the school to CFHLA will be forfeited by the student.

Applications are DUE to CFHLA by Friday, March 27, 2015 – 12:00 Noon.

Please return applications to:

Central Florida Hotel & Lodging Association
Attn: CFHLA Student Scholarship
6675 Westwood Blvd. Suite 210
Orlando, FL 32821

OR

Email: Communications@CFHLA.org

For your information, CFHLA estimates that approximately 30 actual scholarships shall be awarded. The scholarships will be offered via one of the following opportunities:

1) One-time, tuition scholarship of $1,000 - $2,500 in support of tuition / textbooks only – including one scholarship specifically designated for a “Timeshare” track, hospitality student.
2) A “Full Ride” tuition / books scholarship for the remaining years to satisfy an undergraduate hospitality degree providing the recipient maintains a 3.0 GPA ($2,000 per year for up to 4 years).
3) Current high school student, who wishes to pursue a hospitality degree at the University of Central Florida Rosen College, Valencia College, Webber International University or other approved Central Florida educational institution, will receive a $1,000 scholarship, per year, for four years. This student must be a graduating high school senior in the class of 2015, demonstrate financial need via the FAFSA score, maintain a 3.0 GPA / full time student enrollment, and maintain the pursuit of a hospitality degree in order to receive the next disbursement (disbursement will occur in August of each year, for the Fall semester).

4) An incoming freshman student will be invited to interview, based on this application, to be considered for a $40,000 “Full Ride” Scholarship ($10,000 per year for up to 4 years – funds may be used for tuition, books, housing, etc.).

Upon the notification of award of a scholarship, a photograph must be submitted to CFHLA by Monday, April 27, 2015 for distribution in press releases and the day of event program presentation.

The selection committee requests that all information be printed or typed. All information submitted in conjunction with this application becomes the property of CFHLA.
APPLICATION: (PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT – INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE REVIEWED)

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

NAME: ____________________________________________________________

(Last Name) (First Name) (M.I.)

STUDENT ID/SSN: ________________________________________________

ADDRESS: ______________________________________________________

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

TELEPHONE NUMBER: ____________________ CELL PHONE: ______________

EMAIL ADDRESS: ________________________________________________

COLLEGIATE INFORMATION:

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY: ____________________________________________

SCHOOL ADDRESS: ________________________________________________

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

ARE YOU CURRENTLY ENROLLED AT THE ABOVE INSTITUTION? ______ YES ______ NO

WILL YOU BE ATTENDING THIS SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2015? ______ YES ______ NO

EXPECTED DATE OF GRADUATION: ____________________________________

WHAT IS YOUR MAJOR / TRACK / AREA OF STUDY? ____________________

ANTICIPATED DEGREE: _____________________________________________

NUMBER OF CREDITS COMPLETED: ______________ CURRENT GPA: __________

ACADEMIC STANDING: ______ INCOMING FRESHMAN

_____ FRESHMAN _____ SOPHOMORE _____ JUNIOR _____ SENIOR

ENROLLMENT STATUS: _____ FULL-TIME _____ PART-TIME _____ NUMBER OF CREDIT HOURS

IF AWARDED A SCHOLARSHIP, WHICH SCHOOL SHOULD FUNDS BE FORWARDED TO? ____________________________

WHAT EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS HAVE YOU APPLIED TO/ BEEN ACCEPTED TO IN FALL 2015?
(HIGH SCHOOL APPLICANTS ONLY)

__________________________________________________________________________

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HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION:

SCHOOL ATTENDED: ________________________________________________

SCHOOL ADDRESS: ________________________________________________

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

CUMULATIVE GPA (must be on a 4.0 scale): __________________________

DATE GRADUATED (month / year): ____________________
**FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**
List all scholarships / grants / financial aid / loans you are currently receiving.

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**HIGH SCHOOL APPLICANTS ONLY:** FAFSA SCORE: _________________________________
(Please attach FAFSA Student Aid Report)

**EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:**
List significant non-academic activities, focusing on your contributions as an individual to the success of a team.

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List your participation in **community service endeavors.** This may include campaigns or programs you spearheaded as well as various positions you assumed while carrying out said projects.

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List your work experience, both part-time and full-time, during the past (4) years.

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Did you participate in the 2014 CFHLA Bacchus Bash on Friday, April 4? □ Yes □ No

If yes, in what capacity? ___________________________ ________________

Are you planning to participate at the 2015 CFHLA Bacchus Bash on Friday, April 10? □ Yes □ No
SIGNATURE: Your signature below affirms that all information provided in this application and supporting documents are true and complete to the best of your knowledge. If requested, you agree to submit proof of same information. Inability to provide proof may invalidate this application and result in termination of the scholarship application process. Furthermore, if selected as a 2015 recipient, you must submit a portrait photograph by April 24, 2015 and attend the Thursday, April 30, 2015 CFHLA Awards Luncheon. Unfortunately, failure to do either may forfeit this scholarship.

__________________________________________________________
Applicant's Signature                                      Date

ESSAY:
Please answer all three questions utilizing a separate typed sheet. Answers should be concise and relevant to the core of the application. Each answer should not exceed 150 words per question.

1. Tell us something about yourself (comprehensive summary may include experiences, challenges, academic strengths, etc.).

2. Present a personal statement of intent describing your reasons for applying.

3. How firm is your personal commitment to the hospitality industry? What characteristics/skills will allow you to succeed in this field?

RECOMMENDATION FROM ACADEMIC ADVISOR OR WORK SUPERVISOR
This recommendation is to be provided by a teacher, guidance counselor, other school official, or a work superior. The letter must be typed and is limited to one page and reflects why the applicant is deserving of a CFHLA Student Scholarship (leadership qualities, communication skills, dedication). No reference should be given to the financial condition of the student or the student’s family. The recommendation is to be signed and include the individual’s company name, position, contact information, and the number of years / months acquainted with the applicant and in what capacity. Please note, only ONE (1) recommendation letter will be reviewed. NOTE: It is the responsibility of the student applicant to follow up on the receipt of recommendations.

Name of Recommender: _____________________________________________
Relationship to Student: ___________________________________________  
Please select the method by which your recommendation shall be delivered, if separate from the application:

☐ My recommendation letter shall be MAILED.

☐ My recommendation letter shall be EMAILED.

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT
This transcript is to be provided by the current Educational Institution and must be labeled “Official Transcript”. This document may be submitted with a mailed application, or mailed separately by the student or Educational Institution. PLEASE NOTE: UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS WILL NOT BE REVIEWED. First semester / term College applicants may submit High School Transcripts as well as college transcripts. NOTE: It is the responsibility of the student applicant to follow up on the receipt of transcripts.

Please select the method by which your transcripts shall be delivered, if separate from the application:

☐ My transcripts shall be MAILED.

☐ My transcripts shall be EMAILED.
PLEASE SEND COMPLETED APPLICATION BY FRIDAY, MARCH 27 – 12:00 NOON TO:

CENTRAL FLORIDA HOTEL & LODGING ASSOCIATION
Attn: Hospitality Student Scholarship
6675 Westwood Blvd. Suite 210
Orlando, FL 32821

OR

EMAIL: Communications@cfhla.org

Submission Checklist:

☐ COMPLETE ALL REQUIRED SECTIONS entirely and accurately.

☐ SIGN the application.

☐ Submit a LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION from a school advisor or employer – including a signature, company, position, and contact information.

☐ COMPLETE THE ESSAY, limiting your three responses to no more than 150 words for each question.

☐ Submit an OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT of grades from your school – UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS or degree audits will NOT be accepted and your application will be classified as incomplete.

☐ HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ONLY: Submit an OFFICIAL FAFSA STUDENT AID REPORT.

REMINDER: APPLICATIONS THAT ARE NOT COMPLETE WILL NOT BE EVALUATED

PLEASE NOTE: IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE APPLICANT TO FOLLOW UP ON ALL SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS (TRANSCRIPTS, ETC.) TO ENSURE THEIR APPLICATION IS COMPLETE.

If you have questions, please contact
CFHLA Communications & Corporate Citizenship Director
Lynnea Dawes
Communications@cfhla.org / 407-313-5025