

## **2018 National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) Scholarship Application**

***Join nearly 900 college and university women and campus professionals from all across the United States and around the world in redefining leadership for all women.***

**NCCWSL** is the premier conference for students to hone their leadership skills, make lifelong connections, and get ready to shape the world! For more than 30 years, **NCCWSL** has provided a transformative experience for the next generation of leaders. Past attendees have gone on to lead nonprofits, innovate the corporate world, create disruptive technologies, and more — all while paying it forward for women and girls!

The AAUW (American Association of University Women) Medford Area Branch will accept applications for a student scholarship of up to \$750 to attend the three-day AAUW National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (**NCCWSL**) which will be held from May 30 through June 2 in College Park, MD.

Applications will be accepted through March 31, 2018 from full-time college undergraduate students with junior or senior status or full-time or part-time graduate students.

The three-day conference includes

- More than **50 leadership skill-building sessions**
- A **Graduate School Fair and Career Fair** with more than 100 graduate programs and employers
- Presentations by inspiring role models, including the Women of Distinction **awardees** and keynote **speakers**
- A program track specifically designed for campus professionals
- **Add-on activities** for attendees to enrich their conference experience and take advantage of being near the nation's capital.
- For more information about **NCCWSL**, go to [www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org) and go to the search window and type in "**NCCWSL**"

### Eligibility

1. Be a resident of Burlington County, NJ.
2. Must be a full-time, matriculated undergraduate student with junior or senior status or a full-time or part-time matriculated graduate student enrolled at an accredited four-year college or university.
3. Have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 for undergraduate students or 3.5 for graduate students.

### Application Process

1. Complete and sign the application form.
2. Submit a typed, double-spaced essay of approximately 500 words. In your essay, please address the following:
  - a. Describe your quest for a college education.
  - b. Include how this scholarship to the **NCCWSL** conference will help you in achieving your goals.
3. Provide your most recent official school transcript(s) regardless of the age of the transcript(s).
4. Provide a completed recommendation form AND a recent letter of recommendation from one of your college professors who can speak to your character, qualities, and career aspirations. **The letter must be typed, signed, and dated** and include the name, title, address, phone number, and the relationship to the applicant of the person making the recommendation. This is a very important part of the application since it will give the AAUW committee a clear sense of your character and resolve.

5. Send the application and other documents in a single package, postmarked on or before March 31, 2018 to:

Stephanie Berridge  
AAUW Medford Area Branch Scholarship Chair  
15 Big Look Trail  
Medford, NJ 08055

For additional information, go to <http://medford-nj.aauw.net/NCCWSLscholarship/scholarship-application/> or contact Stephanie Berridge via email at [sberridge4@verizon.net](mailto:sberridge4@verizon.net)

**Scholarship Application 2018  
Applicant Information**

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address:  
\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Best time to call: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about our NCCWSL scholarship?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Citizenship (if not US, attach document of permanent residency):  
\_\_\_\_\_

Family status:     Living alone     Living with parents     Living with spouse or partner  
                          Single parent     Parent in two-parent family     Other

Colleges/universities and dates attended:

<u>Name(s) or college/university</u>	<u>Dates attended</u>	<u>No. credits</u>	<u>GPA*</u>
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Major Field of study:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Total number of credits completed prior to spring semester 2018: \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative GPA\* \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated date of graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

College and community activities (include community or other volunteer activities as applicable (Use additional sheet if necessary):

Academic and civic honors (use additional sheet if necessary):

Submit a typed-double-spaced essay of approximately 500 words. In your essay, please address the following:

- Describe your quest for a college education
- Include how this NCCWSL student conference scholarship will help you achieve your goals.

*\* Note: Transcript(s) required*

I have not misstated, misrepresented, or omitted any information required in this application. I understand that failure to represent the truth in this application is grounds for disqualification. There is no appeal process.

I understand and agree to AAUW public relations activities, such as my picture receiving this award published in the local newspapers and on the branch website.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOLARSHIP CHECKLIST. Please enclose:

- Completed Application form
- Proof of Burlington County residence
- Proof of enrollment as a full-time student
- Copy of most recent college transcript regardless of age of transcript
- Proof of 3.0 Cumulative GPA (undergraduate students) or 3.5 GPA (graduate students)
- Personal Essay (details listed above)
- Letter of professional recommendation from one of your college professors

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Please note that incomplete applications will not be considered.

<http://medford-nj.aauw.net/scholarshipNCCWSL/scholarship-application/>

**American Association of University Women  
Scholarship Letter of Recommendation  
2018**

Each AAUW Medford Area branch scholarship applicant is required to have one professional recommendation from one of their college professors as part of her scholarship application. This recommendation consists of 1) a completed and signed recommendation form and 2) a Letter of Recommendation written on letterhead.

\_\_\_\_\_ is requesting that you serve as a recommendation for her National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) scholarship application. Please complete the recommendation form below AND attach a Letter of Recommendation explaining why you believe this student is a good candidate for this conference scholarship opportunity.

Please return to student in a sealed envelope with your name written across the seal.

Application deadline is March 31, 2018.

Thank you.

**American Association of University Women  
NCCWSL Scholarship Letter of Recommendation  
2018**

Student's name:

Recommender's name and position:

Office phone number:

How long have you known the student?

How do you know the student?

Please rate the student:

	Poor	Average	Good	Exceptional
Initiative	1	2	3	4
Motivation	1	2	3	4
Reliability	1	2	3	4
Creativity	1	2	3	4
Intellectual abilities	1	2	3	4
Leadership	1	2	3	4
Communication skills	1	2	3	4

Please also attach a Letter of Recommendation explaining why you believe this student is a good candidate for this student conference scholarship opportunity. Please speak to this candidate's character, qualities, and career aspirations and include your name, title, address, phone number, and your relationship to the applicant.

**Thank you.**