



Kappa Upsilon Zeta Scholarship Foundation, Inc.
2025 Connie C. Bowman Book Scholarship
Application

Please submit application by April 30, 2025

Purpose Statement

The purpose of scholarship through Kappa Upsilon Zeta Scholarship Foundation, Inc. is to provide financial assistance to matriculating minority female college students in pursuit of self-improvement through education. It is our fervent prayer that the award is received with a spirit of thanksgiving and utilized to support the aspirations of its recipient.

Connie C. Bowman Book Scholarship - \$250 (Graduate, Undergraduate and High School):

Mrs. Connie C. Bowman became a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated at Jackson State University in the fall of 1970. Connie C. Bowman graduated from Jackson State University as an honors student with a Bachelor of Science in Social Science and a Master of Science in Secondary Education. She kept the flame of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated alive when she and four other phenomenal members of the sorority-chartered Kappa Upsilon Zeta Chapter of Buffalo, NY in 1981. Connie was a tireless, committed, and exemplary educator who cared foremost for her students. There was never a child she felt didn't deserve the best she had to offer; and, tried to instill within them the knowledge, drive, will and understanding that they could achieve success with work. Connie C. Bowman also served as a Professor within the Graduate School of Education for SUNY Buffalo. Connie C. Bowman was a true example of the principles of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated. Her passion to educate others and encourage scholarly pursuits is evident throughout her career. She set an example for others to follow as a Finer Woman who always remained sisterly and actively engaged in her community. Connie C. Bowman's legacy continues through her daughter, Kimberly N. Bowman, as a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated and her husband, Albert R. Bowman, a member of our brother organization, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Each applicant must be a female and have at least one birth parent who is a member of one of the following groups: Black/African American, Hispanic, Native American, African or Black/African Caribbean.
2. If applicant is a Graduate or Undergraduate student, they must be enrolled and matriculating in an accredited undergraduate or graduate program at a college or university with a minimum number of credit hours (Graduate level: 9 credit hours, Undergraduate level: 12 credit hours).
3. If the applicant is a high school senior in Erie or Niagara County, they must be enrolled at a college or university and registered for a minimum of 12 credit hours.
3. Applicant must be a resident of Erie or Niagara County (Proof of residency will be required).
4. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 2.75 (on a 4.0 scale) or 80 and above on a numeric scale. An official copy of their transcript must be submitted.
5. Applicants must provide one professional letter of recommendation and one letter of recommendation demonstrating their community involvement.

Application Procedure:

To be considered for a scholarship, application and supporting materials must be received no later than **April 30, 2025**. Applicants may submit the following documentation listed below via email to the scholarship chair at kyszscholar1920@gmail.com. Please make sure to include in this order:

1. Completed and signed scholarship application completed in fillable pdf. format and downloaded.
2. Completed essay typed on separate paper. (1 copy)
3. Most current official academic transcript.
4. The two letters of recommendation.
5. Scan all documents (single-sided) into **ONE PDF** and email to kyszscholar1920@gmail.com by **11:59pm on April 30, 2025**.
6. **Please work with your school counselor if you need assistance with this process.**
7. Photographic images from your phone of the required documents will not be accepted.

PLEASE NOTE: Applicants who do not follow the submission directions and whose applications omit any of the required documents will not be considered.

Essay Procedure:

1. Essays must be 500-750 words typed on a separate sheet of paper using Times New Roman 12pt. font and 1.5 spacing.

Essay Question: In 500-750 words, write a short essay that describes areas in your life where you demonstrated leadership and overcame obstacles either through your school, social, or family life.

Notification and Conditions of Payment

1. Kappa Upsilon Zeta Scholarship Foundation, Inc. will notify each applicant of the result status of their application via email.
2. Recipients must submit documentation from their institution providing enrollment for the Fall 2025 semester.
3. Recipients will be required to email a brief biography and a photo.

Please send all scholarship inquiries to: Sheila Murphy, Scholarship Chair by email kyszscholar1920@gmail.com

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2025 Scholarship Application Cover Sheet

Name: _____, _____, _____
Last First M.I.

Permanent mailing address: _____
Number and street name

_____, _____, _____
City State Zip Code

Phone: _____ Email address: _____

School presently attending: _____

High School students only: GPA: _____

College GPA through January 2025: Undergraduate GPA: _____ Graduate GPA: _____

Degree pursuing: _____ Program: _____

Matriculation status: () High School () Undergraduate () Graduate () Doctorate

Earned degree if applicable: _____

Ethnicity:

() Black/African-American () Hispanic () Native American () African () Caribbean
() Other: _____

I attest the information submitted for Kappa Upsilon Zeta Scholarship Foundation, Inc. 2025 Scholarship is true. I understand that if it is found that I have misled the scholarship committee with manipulated information my application will be void and I will be disqualified from applying for scholarship funds from Kappa Upsilon Zeta Foundation, Inc. indefinitely. I understand and agree to all the requirements detailed in the application description.

Signature

Date