

**JEWISH FEDERATION OF METROPOLITAN CHICAGO
ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

2017-2018 NEW APPLICANT FORM
For the academic year beginning August 2017 thru July 2018

This application must be submitted by February 1, 2017



ELIGIBILITY:

The primary criteria for an award are **career promise** and **financial need**.

Please review the following eligibility requirements before proceeding with the application.

- Applicants must be Jewish
- Must meet **one or both** of the following criteria:
 - **Born and raised in either:**
Cook County, Chicago metropolitan area*, or Northwest Indiana (Lake County)
OR
 - **One continuous year of full-time employment in Cook County or Chicago metropolitan area prior to starting professional education.**
**The Chicago metropolitan area includes Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry and Will Counties.*
- Intend to remain in the Chicago metropolitan area after completing school
- Entering an accredited professional graduate education program on a **full-time** basis for the entire academic year. Applicants must be enrolled full-time for both the fall and spring semesters. Students graduating in December are not eligible to apply. School acceptance is not required at time of scholarship application.
- **Undergraduate applicants must be entering the junior or senior year** of an accredited professional education program that will allow them to pursue employment in their chosen helping professions at a **Bachelor's degree level**. Applicants must be enrolled full-time for both the fall and spring semesters. Students graduating in December are not eligible to apply.
- Demonstrate career promise in a helping profession.
- Be available for an interview between March 1 and April 20, 2017.

IMPORTANT: APPLICATION MUST BE FILLED OUT USING A PC AND A COMPATIBLE WEB BROWSER. MAC OS AND GOOGLE CHROME ARE NOT SUPPORTED FOR THIS FORM. NONCOMPLIANCE WILL CAUSE YOU TO HAVE TO RESUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING:

- 1. You must submit all completed application forms in order to be considered for a scholarship. Do not skip questions or omit information.** The application includes:
 - Scholarship Application Form
 - Letter of Reference Forms (providing two professional and/or academic references)
 - Certification Form
- 2. Send the forms via e-mail attachment to: jvsscholarship@jvschicago.org.** Send the forms as a writeable PDF. No other formats will be accepted. Do not scan the forms. Do not handwrite or mail application forms.
- 3. Additionally, the following documents must be submitted to complete your application** by e-mail, mail or fax. You can submit these forms separately as they are available. If these items are not submitted by the deadline, your application will not be considered complete.
 - Two letters of professional and/or academic reference
 - Applicant IRS Forms filed for 2015 and 2016
 - Students under the age of 26 and/or married students must submit parents' and/or spouse's IRS Forms filed for 2015 and for 2016
 - Documentation of tuition costs and fees from your school
 - Documentation of all outstanding student loans
 - Official academic transcript (*if in school, from present school; if not in school, from most recent school attended*)

Regular mail to:

Scholarship Administrator
JVS Chicago
216 West Jackson Blvd., Suite 700
Chicago, IL 60606

E-mail:

Send scanned documents to jvsscholarship@jvschicago.org

Fax:

Send with Attention to Scholarship Administrator: 312.553.5544

- 4. All documents must be completed and received by JVS Chicago by February 1, 2017 with the exclusion of 2016 tax returns. The 2016 tax returns will be due as soon as they are completed or no later than May 1, 2017 if not submitted with your initial application.**

If you have any questions please call the Scholarship Administrator at 312.673.3444 or e-mail jvsscholarship@jvschicago.org.

All of the scholarships are made available through funds established by the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago.

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First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

M F Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____
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Marital Status: _____ Place of Birth: _____
If other, specify _____

Current Address: _____
Street
City State Zip

Phone Number: () - E-Mail: _____

Permanent Address: _____
Street
City State Zip Code

U.S. Citizen: Yes No U.S. Entry Date: _____
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EDUCATIONAL HISTORY

School Attending/Expected to Attend: _____

Field of Study/Career Goal: _____

Degree Expected/Type: _____ Anticipated Graduation Date: _____
Month Year

of years before graduation (including year applied for): _____

If you received a previous Jewish Federation Academic Scholarship Award, please list:

Year Awarded _____ Amount Awarded \$ _____ Name of Fund _____

	Name & County or State	From - To	GPA	Out of	Degree
High School					
Undergraduate					
Professional (include current school)					

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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY (List most recent first)

Note: If more than two previous employers, please provide an additional page/resume.

1. Job Title: _____ Employer: _____

City/State: _____ Dates: _____ to _____
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Hrs./Wk.: _____ Salary: \$ _____

2. Job Title: _____ Employer: _____

City/State: _____ Dates: _____ to _____
mm yy mm yy

Hrs./Wk.: _____ Salary: \$ _____

FAMILY EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

1. Spouse's Name: _____ Age: _____ Occupation: _____

Employer/Location: _____

Length of Employment: _____ Annual Gross Income \$ _____

Children:

Ages of: 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

2. Father / Legal Guardian's Name: _____

Age: _____ Occupation: _____

Employer/Location: _____

Length of Employment: _____ Annual Gross Income \$ _____

3. Mother / Legal Guardian's Name: _____

Age: _____ Occupation: _____

Employer/Location: _____

Length of Employment: _____ Annual Gross Income \$ _____

4. Siblings:

Age: _____ Occupation: _____ Marital Status: _____

Age: _____ Occupation: _____ Marital Status: _____

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How did you hear about the scholarship program?

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Jewish Communal Activities

List activities, affiliations, leadership and volunteerism in Jewish community organizations and highlight a Jewish experience that has impacted you and/or your career goals. No dates or proper nouns.

CAREER STATEMENT

1. Why and when did you make your career choice? What influences within your family, school, community, have been important in the formulation of your career decision? No dates or proper nouns.

2. What special circumstances or needs motivated you to apply for scholarship assistance? Include unusual family, financial and educational situations. No dates or proper nouns.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FINANCIAL SUMMARY (AUGUST 1 – JULY 31)

Fill out both columns (located on the next page of this application) according to these instructions. If you were not a student this year, you must still complete both columns.

- 1. Academic Loans and Savings/Investments:** Enter all outstanding student loans for you and your spouse if applicable. This includes any undergraduate, graduate or professional school education. You must include documentation of any loans consisting of a Bursar bill indicating payments made, bank statements of loans or a letter from your financial aid office indicating accepted loans.
- 2.** Indicate school, your living situation for both years and the anticipated persons included in the financial summary.
- 3. Academic Expenses:** Enter the amount spent this current year and anticipated for next year for your academic expenses. This includes tuition, fees, books, supplies, transportation, and any additional academic expenses. You must provide documentation of your tuition/fees from your indicated school through information printed by the school or posted on the school's website. **Other Academic Expenses:** Consider new computers or equipment, certification exams, travel to exams or special events and professional association fees/conferences.
- 4. Annual Living Expenses:** Enter the amount spent on this current year and anticipated for next year for your living expenses. Consider including assessments/association dues if applicable. **Utilities** may include electricity, cable, satellite or streaming TV, cell phones, internet access, water or other bills. **Health insurance** costs should include anything spent out-of-pocket by the student. **Clothes & Laundry** may include costs for clothing purchases and maintenance including dry cleaning. Under **Miscellaneous**, you should include any expenses not accounted for in other areas such as recreation activities, gym memberships, credit card/debt payments, tuition of children or other payments for dependents. If an amount is entered in Miscellaneous, you must specify what is included.
- 5. Resources:** Enter the amount you put towards your academic expenses and living expenses this year and anticipate for next year. Enter the amount if you have spent any of your savings on your current year or anticipate spending savings next year. Your earnings and spouse's earnings should reflect your net earnings as indicated on your provided tax return. You may estimate for next year based on past or projected earnings. Any help from your parents should be indicated including any help from a spouse's parents if applicable. If you have received a scholarship for this year or anticipate a scholarship for next year, indicate it here. You must provide documentation of any scholarships. If you are not guaranteed the scholarship for next year, which includes the Federation Scholarships, enter "0" for next year. Any additional resources not accounted for in the other areas should be entered under **Other Resources**. Consider including financial gifts (excluding parents), inheritance, grants or assistance from your community. If an amount is entered in Other Resources, please specify the source.
- 6.** Please indicate the total amount borrowed in student loans for the current academic year if applicable and estimate your anticipated borrowing for the next academic year. The number for the current year should be reflected in the documentation provided for your total loans.
- 7. Transportation:** Indicate whether you will use public transportation or a car (or both) by placing an "X" with the appropriate mode of transportation. You must indicate a make, model and year if car is selected.

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Enter your financial information below. If you were not a student in 2016-2017, you must still complete both columns.

1. ACADEMIC LOANS AND SAVINGS/INVESTMENTS

Total Outstanding Academic Loans (enclose documentation)	\$
Spouse's Academic Loans (enclose documentation)	\$
Total Savings and Investments (as of August 1, 2017)	\$

2. LIVING ARRANGEMENTS

	Current Year 2016-2017	Next Year 2017-2018
Name of School		
Living Arrangements (Alone, Parents, Roommates, Family)		
Number of Persons included in Budget		

3. ACADEMIC EXPENSES

Tuition/Fees (enclose documentation)	\$	\$
Books/Supplies	\$	\$
Transportation*	\$	\$
Other Academic Expenses	\$	\$
specify:		
Total Academic Expenses	\$	\$

4. LIVING EXPENSES

Rent/Mortgage	\$	\$
Utilities	\$	\$
Food	\$	\$
Health Insurance	\$	\$
Clothes & Laundry	\$	\$
Miscellaneous	\$	\$
specify:		
Total Living Expenses	\$	\$

5. RESOURCES

Savings Allocated	\$	\$
Earnings	\$	\$
Spouse's Earnings	\$	\$
Parents' Contribution	\$	\$
Scholarships:		
School, Private	\$	\$
Jewish Federation Scholarship	\$	\$
Other Resources	\$	\$
specify:		
Total Resources	\$	\$

6. AMOUNT BORROWED

Amount Borrowed in Student Loans	\$	\$
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***7. TRANSPORTATION**

<input type="checkbox"/> Public	<input type="checkbox"/> Car	Make/Model/Yr: _____
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