SOUTHERN AUTOMOTIVE WOMEN’S FORUM
Scholarship Information

About SAWF Scholarships

The SAWF Scholarship Program provides financial assistance to women admitted to an accredited two-year technical/career program, four-year undergraduate program, or graduate program in preparation for or in furtherance of a career in the automotive industry. With the introduction of the Scholarship Program in 2011, SAWF expects it to include an ever-increasing number of scholarships in the future. The amount of each scholarship is dependent upon the number of applicants and generally ranges from $500 to $5,000 each.

Scholarships are announced between late summer and early fall for use during the upcoming academic year. Scholarship payments are made in two increments, one in the fall and one in the winter (or such other applicable academic term), each after submission of the required documentation showing satisfaction up to the date of payment of the eligibility requirements set forth below.

To view the Scholarship Application, please access link at www.southernautowomen.org

GENERAL GUIDELINES AND ELIGIBILITY

Applications are not accepted on-line. To be considered for an SAWF scholarship, you must submit your application and all attachments by U.S. Mail or overnight delivery to the address provided on the application by the required deadline. The following general guidelines are currently utilized by SAWF to select scholarship recipients:

- Female graduate or soon to be graduate from a high school in a Southern state, who is or will be attending a college or university in a Southern state. Southern states include Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.
- Female interested in or currently pursuing a career in the automotive industry.
- Female enrolling in or enrolled in a full time or part time (at least 6 hours per semester) associate, technical, undergraduate or graduate accredited program, with a preference towards ABET-accredited programs in automotive manufacturing, industrial maintenance, machine tooling, engineering (EAC), computing (CAC), and technology (TAC) located in the South.
The following eligibility requirements are currently utilized for all SAWF scholarships:

- Scholarships available only for use in pursuit of a two-year certificate/degree, four-year undergraduate degree, or graduate degree from a college or university accredited by ABET, Inc., the American Bar Association, the Accrediting Commission for Business Schools, or the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business.
- Full time or part time (at least 6 hours per semester) enrollment required.
- Required minimum grade point averages are an overall grade point average of 2.5 and a grade point average of 3.0 in his/her major.

Individuals may submit applications before graduating from high school or receiving a GED.

**AWARD PERIOD**

Scholarships are awarded prior to the beginning of each fall term. Scholarships are for one academic year and are not automatically renewed. Recipients must maintain enrollment as full time or part time (at least 6 hours per semester) students in at least two academic terms (e.g., fall and spring, spring and summer, fall and summer) during the upcoming academic year to receive the full award amount.

**GENERAL DISCLAIMERS, LIMITATIONS, AND OTHER LEGAL MATTERS**

SAWF at all times retains the right without liability to withhold any and all scholarship payments previously announced or awarded. If at any time a scholarship recipient does not maintain the eligibility requirements in effect at the time the scholarship was awarded, SAWF may seek reimbursement from the recipient of any unused scholarship monies previously paid to the recipient and shall discontinue any and all future payments to the recipient. SAWF reserves the right to modify its scholarship guidelines and eligibility requirements at any time without notice to any current or future applicants or recipients.

Each application must be signed by the applicant whereby she certifies that her application and all attachments submitted thereto are accurate and truthful. Each applicant further agrees that in the event she is awarded a scholarship, she will (1) provide updated contact information each year to SAWF, at SAWF’s request, for at least seven years following the scholarship award as well as reasonable biographical information requested by SAWF regarding her education and career progression; and (2) allow SAWF to use her name, photographs, and general current and future biographical information on any SAWF scholarship promotional materials.