

The Rosalinda De La Luna Scholarship Application 2018

The Imperial Sovereign Court of the State of Montana (ISCSM) works to educate and advocate for the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex, queer (GLBTIQ) and straight allied community while promoting tolerance through the production of drag performances. The ISCSM works to eliminate the historical oppression of GLBTIQ individuals by creating a safe and welcoming environment through the production of events that explore multiple gender expressions in a fun and educational atmosphere.

The ISCSM is pleased to offer scholarships for the GLBTIQ and straight allied communities. These scholarships are to honor and promote academic excellence among present and potential students (returning students, high school graduates and GED recipients).

Each scholarship is a minimum of \$500 and two will be awarded for the academic year.

Students must be enrolled full time in a post-secondary institution of higher education, seeking a Certificate, Associate, Bachelor's, Master's or Doctoral Program degree in the state of Montana to be eligible. Applicants must provide proof of Montana state residency.

Applications must be postmarked no later than **August 1, 2018** to be accepted.

Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of:	Further instructions or materials to include with application:
Leadership and accomplishments	Emphasis on activism or involvement in GLBTIQ, gender or inequality issues
Financial need	Analysis from Financial Aid Office or other source that indicates need (e.g. Student Aid Report available through the Federal Student Aid website: fafsa.ed.gov)
Recent letters of recommendation, either personal or academic	At least two letters, each less than seven months old
Proof of Montana state residency	Photocopy of current Montana state issued driver's license or resident's ID
Grade point average of 2.9 or higher	Copy of most recent school transcript
Proof of enrollment/acceptance to a Montana institution of higher learning	Letter of acceptance or verification of enrollment (e.g. copy of your school transcripts)
Appearance of application and essay	Application neatly handwritten and essay must be typewritten, double-spaced on standard white 8 1/2" x 11" paper

Scholarships will be awarded in one lump sum after verification of enrollment unless otherwise specified. Applicants will be notified in early August of chosen recipients. Recipients of awards agree to publication of their name and photograph to be used for recognition of the award in publications.

A completed application checklist:

- I have completed and signed the application form.
- I have attached 2 or more recent letters of support or reference.
- I have attached the typed essay.
- I have attached a copy of my current Montana state issued driver's license or resident's ID.
- I have attached a financial need analysis from the Financial Aid Office from the institute to which I am applying or in which I am enrolled or other documented proof of financial need.
- I have attached a copy of an official letter of acceptance or verification of enrollment from the institute to which I am applying or in which I am enrolled.
- I have attached an official transcript from my most recent institution attended (high school; GED or college/university).
- I am aware of the deadline for submission and understand my completed application must be postmarked no later than **August 1, 2018**.

IMPERIAL SOVEREIGN COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

NAME: _____
 LAST FIRST MIDDLE

ADDRESS: _____
 STREET OR P.O. BOX CITY STATE ZIP

EMAIL: _____@_____

PHONE: (____) - _____ - _____ MESSAGE PHONE: (____) - _____ - _____

Major/Minor course of study or Degree(s) being pursued:

Are you currently a: high school senior/graduate college freshman college sophomore
 college junior college senior GED recipient entering college

Current grade point average (GPA): _____

This application, including the essay, is my own work or formally cited from other sources. I affirm that the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Essay instructions:

Essays must be typed, double spaced on 8.5 x 11 white paper and be at least 500 words. Please address the following topics in your written essay. You may include additional information about yourself that you feel will complement the application.

1. Include involvement with GLBTIQ, gender or inequality issues (e.g. volunteerism with groups, personal experiences).
2. Include scholarships received in past, special achievements or recognition received through community or school related accomplishments.
3. Describe your plans for higher education. How will you benefit from that education and how do you plan to contribute to the GLBTIQ community as a result?

Mail completed scholarship application and supporting materials to:

The ISCSM Scholarship Program
P.O. Box 4681
Missoula, MT 59806