



## Muskegon Scholars Scholarship Application



*Muskegon Scholars* is an National Science Foundation funded scholarship program for Muskegon Community College students entering the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM). Scholarships of up to \$4,100 will be awarded to qualifying students declaring a major in a science, math, or engineering field.

### Requirements for Scholarship Consideration:

- Declare a major in Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics with intent to transfer to a four-year degree granting, accredited institution.
- Have a current grade point average of 2.8 or higher\*.
- Complete the FAFSA form
- Obtain a recommendation from a professional indicating your aptitude and interest in science.
- Complete the Math Requirement for admittance. It is expected that all Muskegon Scholars will test into Math 111 or higher upon taking the M.C.C. math placement test or pass Math 050 with a B+ or higher.
- Complete this scholarship application.

### Where to go if you have questions or need help:

- For questions about the Muskegon Scholars program, contact:  
Toby Moleski, 231-777-0289  
[toby.moleski@muskegoncc.edu](mailto:toby.moleski@muskegoncc.edu)
- For question regarding the FAFSA contact:  
Bruce Wierda, 231-777-0657  
[bruce.wierda@muskegoncc.edu](mailto:bruce.wierda@muskegoncc.edu)
- For questions about Muskegon Community College, contact:  
George Maniates, 231-777-0364  
[george.maniates@muskegoncc.edu](mailto:george.maniates@muskegoncc.edu)
- [www.MuskegonScholars.org](http://www.MuskegonScholars.org)

### \*Special note:

The Muskegon Scholars Program is willing to consider students who may not quite meet the academic requirements. In such cases, students interested in the program would be put on a waiting list and could be accepted into the program after increasing their grade point to 3.0 while at Muskegon Community College.



### *Applicant Information*

### Selection Timeline:

The Muskegon Scholars committee will review applications every eight weeks. Please note that references may be checked during this time.

Applicants will be notified of an award via US Post.

Applicants submitted by:	Scholar notified by:
April 1 <sup>st</sup>	June 1 <sup>st</sup>
May 1 <sup>st</sup>	July 1 <sup>st</sup>
June 30 <sup>th</sup>	August 1 <sup>st</sup>

The Muskegon Scholars Scholarship Application may be submitted at any time during the year, but the bulk of the scholarships will be awarded in the summer. However, the committee strongly encourages any interested students to apply at any time.

### Who may apply:

This scholarship is open to all legal residents in the United States.

### Writing your essay:

- Essays are to be typed and checked for grammatical errors.
- Essays should be single spaced and use 12 point font.
- Essays may include embedded pictures which demonstrate previous STEM activities. All activity in the pictures should be captioned.
- Essays should not exceed 2 pages.

### Recommendation letter:

Your recommendation letter must come from a professional with a minimum of a bachelors degree in a Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics field. The letter of recommendation must include this information and the address and phone number for this person as we may be contacting them regarding your qualifications for this award.

### Submit to:

The scholarship application should be mailed to:

Toby Moleski , Math/Science Department  
 Muskegon Community College  
 221 S. Quarterline Road,  
 Muskegon, MI 49442

<b>Full Legal Name</b>	<b>Last Name (please print)</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Middle I.</b>	<b>Previous Name</b>
<b>Permanent Address</b>	<b>Number/Street</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>State/County</b>	<b>Zip</b>

**email Address**

**Intended Field of Study**

**Intended Transfer Institution**

**Current Number of College Credit Hours Obtained**      **Cumulative G.P.A.**

**High School Attended and Year**      **Cumulative G.P.A.**

**Have you taken the math compass test at Muskegon Community College?**    Yes    No

**Are there special financial circumstances which might not be considered by the FASFA form which could be addressed by this scholarship? (explain)**

**Realistically, how many hours per week do you have available for study?**

**Are you a first generation college student? (First generation college student's parents did not go to college)**

**What extracurricular activities have you participated in which demonstrate an ability to succeed? (describe)**

**Write an essay on why you have chosen a Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics subject as your intended field of study. See requirements regarding format on page 2. Please submit the essay with this application.**

*You may use the space below to finish answering any questions from the previous page.*

**Please provide a professional recommendation regarding your aptitude and/or demonstrated interest in a Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics Field.**

**Items for the recommendation to include/consider:**

- 1. How has this student demonstrated an aptitude for a STEM subject?**
- 2. What STEM activities has this person participated in outside of regular school hours?**
- 3. How has this student performed in advanced placement courses (if taken) related to a STEM field?**
- 4. Has this student been employed where STEM principles have been applied?**
- 5. How does this person work with others?**
- 6. Why should this person be considered over other applicants?**



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