



2024-2025

Graduate Scholarship Application

Queens Alumnae Chapter

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

All completed applications and required documents must be postmarked and returned via mail or email to:

Attn: Scholarship Committee Chair
Queens Alumnae Chapter
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
P.O. Box 340132
Rochdale Village Station
Jamaica, NY 11434-0132
Email: scholarship@dstquac.org

No Later Than
Monday, July 1, 2024

For additional information, please contact:
scholarship@dstquac.org
(718) 709-0430 Ext.2

DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated. is a private, not-for-profit organization whose purpose is to provide assistance and support through established programs in local communities throughout the world. The sorority currently has 1,000 collegiate and alumnae chapters located in the United States, Canada, Japan (Tokyo and Okinawa), Germany, the Virgin Islands, Bermuda, the Bahamas, Jamaica, West Africa, Southern Africa, United Arab Emirates and the Republic of Korea.

QUEENS ALUMNAE CHAPTER

The Queens Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. was chartered on June 4, 1951. Each year the chapter implements a full-program agenda that encompasses each aspect of the Sorority's Five-Point Programmatic Thrust: Economic Development, Educational Development, International Awareness and Involvement, Physical and Mental Health, and Political Awareness and Involvement.

Currently, the chapter has over 200 members; all hold a minimum of a Bachelor's degree. The charge of the Queens Alumnae chapter continues to be that of offering programs and services for the betterment of humanity. Some of the programs and services that the chapter sponsors in the Queens community include:

- △ Scholarship Awards
- △ Teen Lift Annual Tour of Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs)
- △ Social Action Program Initiatives
- △ Project Cherish - Restoration of the house of African-American inventor Lewis H. Latimer
- △ Adoption of the New Horizon School for students with special needs in Accra, Ghana
- △ The Dr. Betty Shabazz Delta Academy (Girls 11-14)
- △ Delta GEMS: Growing and Empowering Myself Successfully (Girls 14-18)
- △ EMBODI: Empowering Males to Build Opportunities for Developing Independence
- △ Economic Development
- △ International Awareness and Involvement
- △ Physical & Mental Health

To learn more, please visit www.dstquac.org.

QUEENS ALUMNAE CHAPTER GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

In 2024, the Queens Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. launched the Graduate Scholarship to promote academic excellence and provide financial assistance to deserving individuals pursuing a graduate degree.

The Graduate Scholarship provides \$5,000 annually to a deserving individual seeking funding to attend/continue graduate studies. The scholarship is open to students attending or those planning to enroll in an accredited college or university, regardless of their field of study.

A graduate degree (master's degree, professional degree, and doctorate) is an excellent way to specialize in your area of interest or pursue a profession that requires advanced education.

QUEENS ALUMNAE CHAPTER GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- △ Candidate must be a college graduate that has received acceptance as a matriculated full-time 1st year graduate student entering an accredited four-year college or university, or a student who is currently enrolled and matriculated as a full-time graduate student in an accredited four-year college or university for the 2024-2025 academic year.
- △ Candidate must be a Black Student.
- △ Candidate must maintain a permanent residence in the borough of Queens but may attend school elsewhere.
- △ Candidate must have demonstrated academic achievement with a minimum cumulative G.P.A. of **3.3** on a 4.0 scale. If Candidate has been out of school for more than 10 years, please contact the Scholarship Committee.
- △ Candidate must complete an in-person or virtual interview with the Scholarship Committee.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Immediate family members of the Queens Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. are not eligible to receive scholarship awards from the Queens Alumnae Chapter.

Application Required Documents Checklist

PLEASE NOTE: The Scholarship Committee WILL accept both duly signed and digital signatures with dates on scholarship applications and all letters of recommendation. Candidates should have each recommender email their letter directly to the Scholarship Committee on their behalf.

△ Completed and signed application

△ 3 Letters of Recommendation (**All letters must be signed and dated**)

- One (1) letter providing a detailed description of candidate's community involvement on official letterhead.
- One (1) letter from a college official or place of employment. The letter should be sought from faculty, academic advisors, or work supervisor who can speak to the candidate's academic and/or professional strengths and their potential for graduate-level study.
- One (1) character reference letter from someone other than a relative.

△ An **OFFICIAL SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT**

Official transcripts can be mailed in a sealed envelope or emailed directly to the Scholarship Committee from candidate's college/university. (**Photocopies/facsimiles will not be accepted**)

- △ A minimum 500-word personal statement, which should include candidate's goals, accomplishments, community involvement, and reasons why they should be considered for our scholarship.
- △ Copy of FAFSA Federal Student Aid Report, award letter, and any other documentation proving financial assistance.
- △ A small professional headshot or passport size picture of yourself.

IMPORTANT NOTE: All items listed are required and must be submitted to be considered for a scholarship award. Incomplete application packages will be deemed ineligible and removed from consideration.

Queens Alumnae Chapter Graduate Scholarship Application

Directions: Please provide all information requested below.

I. Applicant Information

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Gender
Home Address			
City	State	Zip	
Home Phone #	Cell Phone #	E-mail Address	
Undergraduate College/University and Major			
College/University			
City	State	Zip	
Major/Field of Study	Overall GPA		
College/University and Major (For Current Graduate Students Only)			
College/University Name			
City	State	Zip	
Major/Field of Study	Minor/Field of Study (if applicable)		

II. Financial Need

Check the box below that best describes your family's combined gross income. Income should include employment, SSI, FIA, alimony, child support, disability, etc. Proof of income may be required.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$0 - \$14,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000 - \$74,999 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$15,000 - \$29,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$75,000 - \$99,999 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$30,000 - \$49,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$100,000 or more |

Number of Dependents in Household

Number of Dependents Currently Attending a College/University

Signature

Date

III. Colleges and Universities (For those NOT currently enrolled in Graduate School)

Name of School to Which Applied	City & State	Status of Application
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
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8.		

IV. Honors and Awards (e.g., academic, athletic, community, and/or school awards)

Award	Source of Award & Year	Reason(s) for Award
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		

V. Volunteer/Community Service Activities (e.g., school, religious, social groups)

Name of Group/Activity	Leadership Position(s) Held
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	

VI. Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Scholarships

Scholarship, Grant, or Award for Which You Applied/Received	Name of Chapter	Year
1.		
2.		
3.		

VII. Financial Awards and Scholarships

Scholarship, Loan, Grant, or Award for Which You Applied	Awarding Organization	Amount Expected (Not Received)	Amount Awarded (Received)
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			
8.			
TOTAL AMOUNT EXPECTED (NOT RECEIVED)			
TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED (RECEIVED)			

VIII. Personal Statement

In a 500-word essay, please share why the Queens Alumnae Chapter should consider you for this scholarship. Please include goals, accomplishments, and community involvement.

SELECT THE DATE WHEN YOU WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR AN IN-PERSON INTERVIEW

Please Note: Submission of an application does not guarantee an interview and an interview does not guarantee a scholarship. Only qualified applicants will be granted an interview. All interviews will take place between 9:00am – 4:00pm EST.

- Saturday, August 3, 2024 _____
- Sunday, August 4, 2024 _____

Certification

I hereby certify that all the information provided in this application is accurate and current. I understand that this application packet will be kept confidential, and all materials submitted become the final property of the Queens Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. I acknowledge that all application materials are subject to verification.

Signature of Candidate

Date