Hispanic Women's Council

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HWC Scholarship Information Sheet: *New* Applicants

HWC

The New Mexico Hispanic Women's Council is a not-for-profit, intergenerational organization founded in 1988 to promote, support, and create opportunities for Hispanic women.

THE HWC SCHOLARSHIP

The HWC Scholarship Program is established to provide academic scholarships and mentorship to Hispanic women who are residents of New Mexico. It is available to continuing college students (traditional and non-traditional). With these scholarships, the HWC envisions creating a legacy of: a) educating Hispanic women; b) moving them into professions; and c) enabling them to become valuable leaders in our community. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of the strength of the applicant's personal statement and the potential to succeed based on letters of recommendation. Successful awardees will be considered for scholarship renewal. The mentoring component of the scholarship requires that each recipient meet twice each semester with a mentor for academic and career advising.

ELIGIBILITY

- Applicant must be of Hispanic descent and a woman
- Applicant must be a New Mexico resident
- Applicant must be enrolled in either the University of New Mexico or Central New Mexico Community College on a part-time or full-time basis
- Preference will be given to applicants who have completed 30 + hours of college work toward a 4-year degree or who are pursuing an advanced degree or certification at CNM or UNM

THE APPLICATION PACKET

Please include the following in your application packet (See forms provided). Incomplete applications will not be considered.

- Completed Application Form (*one original*)
- Unofficial Transcript(s) of all college work (*one copy*)
- Typed Personal Statement (*one original*)
- Three Letters of Recommendation (*use form provided with this application*)
- Copy of letter of admission to UNM or CNM (*one copy*)

APPLICATION / AWARD PROCEDURE

Your application for the HWC Scholarship must be postmarked by the date indicated on the announcement. Receipt of your application will be acknowledged via email. If you have questions about the receipt of your packet, please email Dr. Leila Flores-Dueñas at lflores@unm.edu or Verónica Sánchez at vtsanchz@unm.edu. The HWC Scholarship Committee will review applications and notify applicants of their award or denial within 30 days of the application postmark deadline.

SELECTION

The HWC Scholarship Committee reviews, certifies, and evaluates all applications. Scholarship recipients will be announced to the HWC Board and presented at an HWC event.

AWARDS

UNM

UNDERGRADUATE

Undergraduate Full-time Students at UNM

The HWC Scholarship award totals up to $2,000 for an academic year for a full-time student (a minimum of 12 credit hours toward a degree per semester). Up to $1000 will be granted in the Fall Semester and up to $1000 in the Spring Semester (contingent upon successful completion of the Fall semester).

Undergraduate Part-time Students at UNM

The HWC Scholarship award totals up to $1,000 for an academic year for a part-time student (a minimum of 6 credit hours toward a degree per semester). Up to $500 will be granted in the Fall Semester and up to $500 in the Spring Semester (contingent upon successful completion of the Fall semester).

GRADUATE

Graduate Full-time Students at UNM

The HWC Scholarship award for Graduate students totals up to $2,000 for an academic year for a full-time student (a minimum of 9 credit hours toward a degree per semester). Up to $1000 will be granted in the Fall Semester and up to $1000 in the Spring Semester (contingent upon successful completion of the Fall semester).

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The HWC Scholarship award totals up to $1,000 for an academic year for a part-time student (a minimum of 6 credit hours toward a degree per semester). Up to $500 will be granted in the Fall Semester and up to $500 in the Spring Semester (contingent upon successful completion of the Fall semester).

CNM

UNDERGRADUATE

Undergraduate Full-time Students at CNM

The HWC Scholarship award totals up to $1,000 for an academic year for a full-time student (a minimum of 12 credit hours toward a degree per semester). Up to $500 will be granted in the Fall Semester and up to $500 in the Spring Semester (contingent upon successful completion of the Fall semester).

Undergraduate Part-time Students at CNM

The HWC Scholarship award totals up to $500 for an academic year for a part-time student (a minimum of 6 credit hours toward a degree per semester). Up to $250 will be granted in the Fall Semester and $250 in the Spring Semester (contingent upon successful completion of the Fall semester).

UNM or CNM

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT/CERTIFICATION at UNM or CNM

The HWC Scholarship award for students enrolled in a Professional Development Licensure or Certification Program totals up to $1,000 for an academic year. Up to $500 will be reimbursed for classes taken from August to December (reimbursement made in January). Up to $500 will be reimbursed for classes taken from January to May (reimbursement made in June). Note: Professional Development/Certification awardees may apply for the HWC Scholarship for a maximum period of two years.

Scholarship recipients are invited to become members of HWC at the student rate of $30.00. A membership form will be included with the award letter. Please refer to the HWC website for more information about the organization: www.nmhwc.com

PLEASE NOTE:

- Awardees are required to agree in writing to successfully complete studies at the level of funding (full-time or part-time).
- The agreement specifies that non-completion of studies will require the awardee to repay scholarship monies.

Checklist for Items to be Included in Application Packet

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