How to Apply for a CCC Scholarship

Scholarships are a great way to fund your education. The process is not complicated, but you will want to make sure to set aside at least 2-3 hours to finish the process. This time is well worth it, since a well-done application may result in an award that covers a meaningful amount of the cost of your education. This document will walk you through that process step-by-step.

1) First, you have to create your account.

Begin by navigating to: https://corningcc.awardspring.com/

Award Spring is the web-based software product that the Corning Community College Development Foundation uses to process applications.



From this screen, click the **Register** button unless you have applied in a previous year. If you have applied before, use your credentials to login or use the Forgot Password link to reset.

That should bring you to the following screen:

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Register	Already have an account?	<u>Sign in</u>
Email		
Phone +1 • 201-555-0123		
First Name		_
Last Name		_
Password		_
Confirm Password		_
		_
Create Account		

Please use the email address you check most frequently and a phone number at which you can be reached. When you click **Create Account**, you should get a notification and an email sent to the address you provided. *Please note that AwardSpring Confirmation email may be marked as a potential phishing email, but the corningcc@mail.awardspring.com* address is legitimate and you should mark "Safe" so that future communications can be sent through the system.

2) When setting up a new account you will need to review the AwardSpring Privacy and Usage Policy by clicking the links. Then click the check box and click "Accept Agreement" to continue.

On this page you'll be agree	g to a few things in order to use the AwardSpring website:	
 The <u>AwardSpring Privacy</u> 	<u>plicy</u>	
 The <u>AwardSpring Terms</u> 	Use	
I agree to the AwardSpr	g Terms of Use and Privacy Policy.	
Accept Agreement	Cancel	

This will take you to your new Dashboard. Click either **Apply or Complete**

Welcome Dante!		
Complete Application Fill out your application to unlock opportunities.	You have 1 item(s) to complete	
Once you finish the application, we will automatically match you to all opportunities you're eligible for.	Application Due 5/31/2025 ()	Complete
Progress: 0% APPLY		

Make sure to enter your CCC ID, which should begin with the letter "C" and appears on your ID card. This is your unique identifier as a CCC student and helps to connect related information.

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A CCC ID YET, enter N/A. Scholarships are only awarded to students registered for classes, so you should complete that process as soon as possible.

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Scholarships	Personal Information	CCC CID (e.g. C00###### or "N/A" if not assigned yet)
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	Financial Information	
	Qualification Questions	Miadie Initial (Optional) 2 word(s) left
	Letter(s) of Recommendation	
	Certification	Address 1

3) Please complete the Personal Information tab. Note that you must enter both your date of birth and your current age.

	Zip Code	
	14905	
	County of Residence	
	× Chemung, NY	
	Phone Number	
	(607) 9629284	
	(mm/dd/yyyy)	
	What is your age?]
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Previous Step Next	Step	Submit Application

Click $\ensuremath{\textbf{Next Step}}$ button to proceed to Academic Information tab.

4) Fill out Academic Information: If you do not have any completed classes at CCC – whether as a prior student or through ACE, please enter 0 (zero) for SUNY CCC GPA. Otherwise, use the cumulative GPA for the most recently completed term at CCC.

If you have not yet enrolled in classes, please consult with an enrollment adviser to estimate credits as accurately as possible, as some scholarships require a specific minimum number of credits. If you anticipate enrolling as a full-time student, you may list 12 credits.

Personal Information Completed	Degree Pursuing	
	O Associate	
Academic Information	O Certificate	
Financial Information	O Micro-credential	
Qualification Questions	SUNY CCC GPA (Enter "0" if you've not completed any classes)	
Letter(s) of Recommendation	How many credit hours will you be enrolled in for the Fall	
Certification	semester?	
	Grade Status ○ New in Fall semester ○ Continuing in Fall semester Do you plan to continue your education after SUNY CCC? ○ Yes ○ No Describe your educational and professional goals at SUNY CCC, a transfer institution, or career path (250 word max.) 250 word(s) left B I U E E E E E E E E E E E E	

When answering questions with maximum word length, it is recommended to use at least half of the available word count in order to express your interest and provide additional information that may be valuable in selecting the best candidate for a given scholarship award. You might want to make reference to your future career, possible transfer institutions, or your current work. *You may find it easier to draft your answers in Word or Google Docs and paste them into the box.*

	High School of Graduation	
	* Elmira (NY - Chemung)	Q
	High School Graduation/GED Date (Optional) (mm/dd/yyyy)	
	High School Average	
	3.8	
	SUNY CCC Program of Study	
	* Liberal Arts and Sciences: Humanities & Social Sciences	Q
Previous Step Next	Step	Submit Application

For High School Average, express your response using whatever grading system your high school followed, but you can only use one place after the decimal.

When this screen is complete, click **Next Step** to advance to Financial Information tab.

5) Fill out the Financial Information tab. These questions are used to assess financial need:

Personal Information Completed	Are you a NYS resident with a family household adjusted gross
Academic Information	income less than \$100,000? <i>(Optional)</i> • Yes
Financial Information	Do you intend to apply for The Excelsior Scholarship offered by
Qualification Questions	New York State?
Letter(s) of Recommendation	O No
Certification	Have you filed your FAFSA for the next academic year? Yes
	O No

Note: The Excelsior Scholarship is a program that provides tuition awards to eligible students attending New York State's public colleges and universities (SUNY and CUNY). The program covers tuition for eligible SUNY and CUNY students. For the 2024–2025 academic year, the Excelsior Scholarship in New York State has an income limit of \$125,000 or less for a household's federal adjusted gross income. This applies to first-time students and those who have never received the scholarship.

You can apply for the Excelsior Scholarship at <u>http://www.hesc.ny.gov/excelsior</u>. Applications for the 2025-2026 academic year open in May 2025.

When you complete the Yes/No answers for each of these questions, click the **Next Step** button to advance to the Qualification Questions tab. An additional question may appear in some cases.

Many scholarships require evidence of need, so your responses to these questions will determine your eligibility for a number of scholarships.

6) The Qualification Questions are used to qualify candidates for one or more of the available criteria related to specific awards.

For some of these questions below, answering "Yes" will result in additional information requested, so please plan accordingly to be prepared with additional detail, which may include a name or specifics on high school academics and extracurricular activities, or activities in the community.

Personal Information Completed Academic Information In Progress	Have either of your parents/guardians earned a college degree? O Yes O No	
Financial Information	Are you a relative of a CCC alumnus?	
Qualification Questions	O No	
Letter(s) of Recommendation	Were you involved in high school academics and extracurricular activities?	
Certification	O Yes O No	
	Are you active in your community? O Yes O No	
	Describe your ambitions and goals, and how SUNY CCC will help you achieve them (250 - 500 words). 500 word(s) left	

The last essay is your opportunity to make your case for how being awarded a scholarship would make an impact in your life. Once again, treat this answer as an opportunity to describe your ambitions, goals, and how CCC will help you achieve them. Longer answers generally better express interest and enthusiasm by helping the selection committee best understand how your goals align with those of the College.

Once you complete the essay, click **Next Step**.

7) Letters of Recommendation: You must enter at least one person's contact information for a letter of recommendation. This should be someone who is in a good position to comment on your academic or extracurricular activities, or motivation, drive, and leadership skills. Appropriate people to ask for a recommendation might include a teacher, mentor, supervisor, coach, or activity leader.

There is default language that is sent automatically to the "Recipient" email in the "Message to recipient" box, but you are able to edit that text. It is recommended to request more than one letter so that at least one can be included with your application for review. While not strictly required, letters often set apart candidates for more competitive scholarships.

🔂 Scholarships	Completed	
Application	Academic Information	Students who are applying for SUNY CCC scholarships are encouraged to obtain at least one letter of recommendation from a non-family member who can testify to their ability and skills to succeed, as well as any personal
	Financial Information	or academic accomplishments. Students should contact the recommender in advance to obtain a valid email address and make him/her aware of the request before sending it
	Qualification Questions Completed	Students should also monitor their scholarship application and follow-up with a recommender if a letter has not been submitted on their behalf by May 31.
	Letter(s) of Recommendation	Recipient First Name
	Certification	
		Recipient Last Name
		Recipient Email
		Message to Recipient
		B I U E E E E E ∂ I am applying for scholarships at SUNY Corning Community College and hoping that you will provide a letter of recommendation on my behalf. Feel free to share your knowledge of my personal and academic ambitions, goals, and accomplishments. Please email me with any additional questions. Thank you in Send Request

Be sure to click the **Send Request** button below the Message to Recipient box before continuing to the next step.

8) The Certification is a key step to a complete application.

Affirming each of these statements is a condition for receiving a scholarship. Read them carefully to understand what you are affirming. To complete your application, you should put your initials (usually 2-3 letters) in each box below the statements.

Personal Information Completed	I release to SUNY Corning Community College Scholarship		
Academic Information	Committee or designee, the right to access current and ongoing financial aid and academic records. If awarded a scholarship, I understand that I must meet and continue to meet the scholarship criteria. Pleace Initial:		
Financial Information	Criteria. Piease initial: 2 word(s) left		
Qualification Questions	DMA		
Letter(s) of Recommendation	If awarded a scholarship, I understand my name, information, and academic history may be shared at a Scholarship Reception, which will require my attendance. In addition, I agree to express my		
Certification Completed	the release and publication of my non-directory information, image, and scholarship criteria in any articles, press releases, website, portal, social media, or other SUNY CCC publications or communications. Please initial:		
	2 word(s) left		
	DMA		

When you complete this page, you should be able to click the **Submit Application** button, as long as every required field has been completed.

9) Once you click Submit Application, you will be given information about which scholarships you are eligible for and whether any additional information is required for any of those.

Scholarships	You have some follow-up work to do. Click "Complete Follow-Up" in the boxes below.	14 Items requiring completion
	Follow-Ups	
	AMORY HOUGHTON JR. SCHOLARSHIP You are eligible to apply but have some work to complete by 6/1/2023. Complete Follow-Up	ARLENE EVENDEN SCHOLARSHIP You are eligible to apply but have some work to complete by 6/1/2023. Complete Follow-Up
	CARL H. & M. SUZANNE BLOWERS SCHOLARSHIP You are eligible to apply but have some work to complete by 6/1/2023. Complete Follow-Up	CHARLES A. HILL 34 SCHOLARSHIP (Male) You are eligible to apply but have some work to complete by 6/1/2023. Complete Follow-Up
	CHARLES A. HILL '84 SCHOLARSHIP (Parenti You are eligible to apply but have some work to complete by 6/1/2023. Complete Follow-Up	DAN AND MATT MCGARRY SCHOLARSHIP You are eligible to apply but have some work to complete by 6/1/2023. Complete Follow-Up
	DON MOORE FRESH START SCHOLARSHIP You are eligible to apply but have some work to complete by	DR. JAMES W. HUDSON MEMORIAL MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP You are eligible to apply but have some work to complete by

For any scholarships that require additional information, click on **Complete Follow-up** button and proceed to answer additional questions as needed. These additional answers are not optional as they address criteria for specific scholarships and are needed to qualify and select appropriate candidates.

10) Once you have completed all the questions for specific scholarships, and have clicked "Submit Application," you should receive the following message letting you know you are done.



Tip: You can also see the complete list of scholarships for which you are eligible by clicking on the "Scholarships" tab:

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Pplication	Scholarship Name	Award 🜲	Deadline 🜲	Status
	ABBIE J. CHAPMAN '75 NURSING SCHOL Established by Robert A. Chapman, former SUNY	N/A	🛗 Due Jun 01, 2023	Not Qualified
	ALUMNI FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP (Contin Established by the SUNY CCC Alumni Association	N/A	🛗 Due Jun 01, 2023	Not Qualified
	ALUMNI FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP (New) Established by the SUNY CCC Alumni Association	N/A	🛗 Due Jun 01, 2023	Not Qualified
	AMELIA G. CREATH MEMORIAL SCHOLA Established by Donald B. Creath, longtime SUNY	N/A	🛗 Due Jun 01, 2023	Not Qualified
	AMORY HOUGHTON, JR. SCHOLARSHIP Established by Amory Houghton III, Robert W. Ho	N/A	🛗 Due Jun 01, 2023	Not Qualified
	ANNA S. HANAS SCHOLARSHIP Established by Jay S. Hanas '68 and his wife, Jane,	N/A	🛗 Due Jun 01, 2023	Not Qualified
	ANNE D'ULISSE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSH Established in memory of Anne D'Ulisse, SUNY C	N/A	🛗 Due Jun 01, 2023	Not Qualified
	ARLENE EVENDEN SCHOLARSHIP Established by the Big Flats American Legion Post	N/A	🛗 Due Jun 01, 2023	Not Qualified
	BONNIE & VIOLA SCHOLARSHIP Established by a SUNY CCC Distinguished Alum. A	N/A	🛗 Due Jun 01, 2023	Not Qualified
	CARL H. & M. SUZANNE BLOWERS SCHO Established by Carl H. Blowers, SUNY CCC Truste	N/A	🛗 Due Jun 01, 2023	Not Qualified

At this point, your application is complete but you may still want to follow up with Recommenders to make sure they received the request and submitted your recommendation.

Congratulations! Your application is complete. Staff will review the applications and make decisions about awards by **July 31**.

Checklist: To help you through the process, we have included this list of steps. If you complete each of these items, your application should be ready for review:

Create your account	
Accept Privacy and Usage Policy	
Personal Information	
Academic Information	
Financial Information	
Qualification Questions	
Letters of Recommendation	
Certification	
Initial Submission	
Complete Additional Questions	
Final Submission	

Deadline for submission: May 31