



FALL 2020 DENVER SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

DUE DATE:
AUGUST 15, 2020

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The Denver Smith Foundation was established in 2019 as a 501(c)(3) with the mission to honor the life and legacy of Denver Smith by providing equitable educational opportunities and resources to students of vulnerable populations.

Sadly, Mr. Smith was murdered November 16, 1972 on his beloved Southern University campus in Baton Rouge, Louisiana by a sheriff in an unexplainable act of law enforcement aggression. Mr. Smith was a beloved member of the community and a junior majoring in Computer Science at the time of his murder. He is honored throughout Southern University's campus and was awarded his degree posthumously in 2017. His life and untimely passing left an indelible mark on the lives of so many.

To honor the life and legacy of Mr. Smith, the Denver Smith Foundation awards scholarships to students with significant barriers to Higher Education.

The 2020 Fall Denver Smith Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to the high school senior(s) and/or current college student(s) who best meets the requirements set forth by the Scholarship Committee. Scholarship awards are limited to cover tuition and fees. Scholarship monies will be paid directly to the educational institution in the student's name.

Award amounts are at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee.

The Selection Committee will review and score all submitted applications. Applicant's references may be contacted by telephone. The Scholarship Committee may also choose to interview applicants. Recipients will be notified of award by August 15, 2020.



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GUIDELINES

Student applicants must meet the following guidelines:

1. Plan to attend, or currently attend an accredited college or university on a full time basis.
2. Must have a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale.
3. Must have acquired acceptance to, or be enrolled at the Historically Black College or University of his/her choice and must be an enrolled full-time student for the fall semester of 2020.
4. Students must demonstrate an interest in a social or economic justice.

Student applicant should note any special financial needs on their application form.

**All applications and supporting documents
must be received no later than August 1, 2020.**

Please advise your high school/college registrar of the deadline for submission of transcripts and other supporting documentation. Student applicants that have completed one full academic year at a college/university do not need to submit High School transcripts.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. All questions must be answered. Incomplete applications will be disqualified.
2. Applications must be typewritten or identically reproduced in computer form. All handwritten applications will be disqualified. The application form can be found on the Denver Smith Foundation website, www.denversmithfoundation.com.
3. Applications must include the following:
 - Complete Application form, including essay. Attach additional sheets as needed in order to complete.
 - Three references with complete contact information for each (on application form)
 - A copy of your most recent high school and/or college transcript (may be sent separately)
4. Applications must be received by August 1, 2019. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.
5. Successful applicants will be notified on or before August 15, 2018. Applicants may be selected for an interview with the committee.

Note: Scholarship awards are limited to cover tuition and fees. Amounts awarded to successful candidates are at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee.

**Student must deliver the completed application form
and all requested documents to:**

Denver Smith Scholarship Fund
1450 Mercantile Lane
Suite 207C
Largo, Maryland 20774
301-633-7547
Email: denversmithfoundation@gmail.com



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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Student's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

List the schools you have attended. Please include name and website of school.

What is your cumulative GPA based on 4.0 weighted scale? _____

Extracurricular Activities: (Include sports, clubs, offices held in school.)

Community Activities: (Include church and community activities.)

Applicant's Brief Employment History:



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What college will you attend? _____

Have you been accepted by the college of your choice? _____

What is your degree are you planning to pursue AND why?

Anticipated date of Graduation: _____

Please supply three personal adult references-other than relatives (i.e., teachers, pastor, long time personal friends).

Name:	Relationship:	Phone:	Email:

ESSAY

Prepare and attach a one page essay. Your essay should address the following questions:

- What are your goals and objectives in college?
- What are your career plans after graduation?
- How will your education support the progress of the African Diaspora, specifically in regards to Social or Economic Justice?

Applicant's Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____