

## *The George Hallas Memorial FORCC Scholarships*

### *Description*

**The Fellowship of Orthodox Churches of Connecticut** (FORCC) seeks to unite the Orthodox Churches in Connecticut to work together to promote the Orthodox Faith throughout the state. As a part of this mission, the **Fellowship** offers scholarships to two qualified candidates each year. In 2019, these scholarships were dedicated to the memory of one of the founding members of FORCC, the late George Hallas.

The **George Hallas Memorial FORCC Scholarships** are offered to two young Orthodox Christians entering college or university for the first time and who are parishioners of any of the member Churches of **FORCC**. With a value of \$1,000.00 each, they recognize the academic achievement and parish involvement of the recipients.

A special *Scholarship Committee* is appointed each year by the **FORCC** governing board to examine all applications received and award the scholarships. All applications and any accompanying information is kept in the strictest confidence.

### *Please Note:*

**All applications and supporting documentation must be completed and either postmarked by Monday, June 1, 2020, or hand-delivered to Scholarship Committee Chairperson Alexia Tassmer at the address below by that date.**

Alexia Tassmer,  
Chairman of the FORCC Scholarship Committee,  
95 S. Orchard St.,  
Wallingford, CT 06492-4132.  
Telephone: (203) 284-0856, Cell: (203) 623-5336

***Applications postmarked or hand-delivered after June 1 will not be accepted***

***No e-mail or fax applications will be accepted***

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### *Guidelines*

*All applications must include:*

1. An official transcript from the high school from which the student is graduating or, in the case of those who are home-schooled, the results of any standardized tests required for college admission. These must be supplied by the school or testing agency and must be postmarked by *June 1, 2020*. Transcripts and test results should be sent to: Scholarship Chairperson Alexia Tassmer at the address listed above.
2. An essay of not more than 150 words, typed or clearly hand-written in ink, introducing yourself to the Scholarship Committee. Explain your educational and vocational plans and any civic and church involvement or extra activities.
3. A wallet size photograph for publication.
4. The Scholarship Application Form and the Parish Participation Form.
5. Any references from faculty members, your parish Priest, and any supporting documents, etc.

#### **Eligibility**

1. The applicant must be an Orthodox Christian and an active participant in his or her parish.
2. The applicant must be entering an accredited four-year college or university for the first time, as a full-time student.
3. No applicant will be disqualified if another member of the family has previously been awarded this Scholarship.

#### **Basis of Selection**

The Scholarship Committee will consider all applications, attached documents and transcripts submitted to make its decision, which will be final. The contents of all applications will remain confidential.

#### **Scholarship Awards**

\$1,000.00 (One Thousand Dollar) Scholarships will be awarded from the Scholarship Fund to the best qualified applicants.

*Please Note: Scholarships will be awarded at the FORCC Annual Banquet in October. Recipients will be invited as guests. Notification of date and location will be announced.*

*The George Hallas Memorial FORCC Scholarships*  
*Application Form*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

High School and date of graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of college or university you will definitely attend: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

*A copy of the Letter of Acceptance from the college or university must be included.*

Anticipated course of study: \_\_\_\_\_

Academic degree sought: \_\_\_\_\_

*Family Status:*

Parent or Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Church Activities: Please complete and attach Form B, which must be signed by your Parish Priest to be accepted for consideration.

Honors and Awards in High School: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Offices held in Class or School: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Name and city of home parish: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that I have answered all the above questions correctly to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Parish Participation Form***

*Please answer the following questions and have your Parish Priest sign the form.*

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Priest's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Priest's Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

*Have you participated in any of the following?*

Sunday School: \_\_\_\_\_ How many years: \_\_\_\_\_

Choir: \_\_\_\_\_ How many years: \_\_\_\_\_

Altar Server: \_\_\_\_\_ How many years: \_\_\_\_\_

*Name of Orthodox organizations to which you belong and any offices held:*

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

*Any other religious or church activity outside your own parish:*

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

*Please summarize any Orthodox Church activity not mentioned above.*

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parish Priest: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## ***The George Hallas Memorial FORCC Scholarship Checklist***

*All items listed below must be included with your application when it is submitted and must be received by the FORCC Scholarship Chairman on or before June 1, 2020. Incomplete applications and those not postmarked or hand-delivered to the Scholarship Committee Chairperson by June 1<sup>st</sup> will be rejected.*

***E-mailed or faxed applications will not be accepted at any time.***

1. The completed Application Form, signed by you and dated.
2. The Parish Participation Form, completed and signed by your parish priest.
3. A Letter of Acceptance from the college or university you will be attending.
4. An official transcript from your high school or the results of any standardized testing used for college admission.
5. Any Letters of Recommendation (school, priest, etc.).
6. A Personal Essay of 150 words or less.
7. A wallet-size photograph.