

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 qualified candidates each year. These scholarships are 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 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 June 1, 2021, 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, 2021*. Transcripts and test results should be sent to: Scholarship Chairperson Alexia Tassmer at the address listed above.
2. A copy of the Letter of Acceptance from the college or university.
3. 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.
4. A wallet size photograph for publication.
5. The Scholarship Application Form and the Parish Participation Form.
6. 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.

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Application Form

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

High School and date of graduation: _____

Name of college or university you will definitely attend: _____

Anticipated course of study: _____

Academic degree sought: _____

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 B

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?

Church 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.

Signature of Parish Priest: _____ Date: _____

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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, 2021. Incomplete applications and those not postmarked or hand-delivered to the Scholarship Committee Chairperson by June 1st 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 B, 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.