



Ascend Educational Fund, Inc
SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION SHEET 2017
ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLINE

This spring, Ascend Educational Fund will award scholarships ranging from \$2,500 to \$20,000 to immigrant students and children of immigrants who are graduating from a New York City high school to attend public or private colleges and universities, regardless of ethnicity, national origin, or immigration status.

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be born outside the United States or have two parents born outside the United States
- Must be a graduating senior at a high school in the five boroughs of New York City
- Must enroll full-time at an accredited public or private college or university in 2017-2018

Application Materials

- Completed and signed application form
- Official high school transcript
- Copy of SAT or ACT score report
- Two letters of recommendation
- Two essays

Selection Criteria and Process

Scholarship recipients will be selected based on qualities traditionally valued and demonstrated by the immigrant community: hard work, resourcefulness, perseverance in the face of adversity, academic achievement, leadership, and commitment to one's community. A committee drawn from the local community will review applications and select a group of finalists for interviews.

November 1, 2016	Application opens online (http://ascendfundny.org/scholarship/)
February 2, 2017	Application materials due
May 7, 2017	Finalists notified
May 20-21, 2017	Interviews

Scholarship Conditions

Scholarships will be disbursed directly to the recipient's educational institution in equal installments over a two or four year period, depending on the type of institution. Failure to comply with the following conditions may result in the suspension or revocation of scholarship awards.

- Enroll full-time at an accredited public or private college or university
- Remain in good standing and maintain a 2.5 grade point average
- Submit yearly progress reports to Ascend Educational Fund
- Participate in mentoring provided by Ascend Educational Fund

Additional Information

- Application forms are available at <http://ascendfundny.org/scholarship/>
- Questions can be directed to scholarship@ascendfundny.org