

# National Fallen Firefighters Foundation & Columbia Southern University Scholarship Program Application



**Application and required attachments must be postmarked by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013.  
Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.**

## SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTION AND TERMS

The NFFF/Columbia Southern University Scholarship program is open to spouses and life partners of firefighters honored at the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial.

- This is a two year scholarship which covers tuition and library fee. (Books are not included.)
- Enrollment must be within 90 days from the date of the award of the scholarship.
- Applicant must maintain continuous enrollment.
- Applicant must maintain a 3.0 undergraduate GPA or 3.5 at graduate level.
- This scholarship is not transferable.

## APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle Initial

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address/P.O. Box/Apt. Number

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Area Code Area Code

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## FAMILY INFORMATION

Fallen Firefighter's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Department/Agency Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Career or Volunteer? \_\_\_\_\_

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

Date of Death: \_\_\_\_\_

**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

Did your family receive funds from the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program?  Yes  No

*The Foundation has conducted extensive research in each state to identify the range of benefits available to survivors of firefighters who died in the line of duty. Please be sure to review the Foundation's website at [www.firehero.org](http://www.firehero.org) under the Benefits section to learn more about the educational benefits for which you may be eligible.*

**EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS**

**Have you applied to receive educational assistance from public, government, state, or private sources including the Public Safety Officers' Educational Assistance (PSOEA) program?**  Yes  No

Will you be receiving any other scholarships? If so, please list scholarships and amounts.

<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>Amount</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____

**ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

Type of program for which you plan to enroll:

Graduate  Bachelor  Associate

Planned Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

**REQUIRED APPLICATION DOCUMENTS**

**(These may be attached to your application or mailed separately. However, all must be postmarked by December 31, 2013.)**

- An **official** transcript or letter from a school official from the institution most recently attended. If unavailable, please provide a written explanation and a copy of the highest-level diploma or certification received.
- A Statement of Interest of 400 words or less including:
  - why you want the scholarship
  - your personal, educational and career goals
  - a list of extracurricular, community, and/or volunteer activities. Include dates of participation and a brief description of each activity. You may provide an explanation for lack of involvement under special circumstances.
  - special circumstances, such as financial hardship, family responsibilities, etc.
  - any other information you want the Scholarship Committee to consider

- Two letters of recommendation. One letter should be from a teacher, employer, or a member of the community familiar with you and your goals and the other from a member of the fire service. If it is not possible to provide a letter from a member of the fire service, please submit a statement explaining why. If you do not have a letter from a member of the fire service, **you must submit a second letter from another source.**
- Recent photograph for Foundation newsletter (No smaller than wallet size). The photo will only be used if you are selected.

**You must submit a full application package, even if you have previously received a Foundation scholarship. It is the responsibility of the Applicant to contact the Foundation to ensure that all required documents have been received.**

**I certify that all of the information contained in this application and attachments is accurate. I understand that the Foundation may verify all information I have provided as part of my application for this scholarship.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Send this application and all required information to:  
Scholarship Committee, National Fallen Firefighters Foundation  
P. O. Drawer 498, Emmitsburg, Maryland 21727**