

POLISH CULTURAL FOUNDATION  
APPLICATION 2017 SCHOLARSHIP YEAR

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- LUBOMIR and IRENE ZABILSKI SCHOLARSHIP  
 IRENA MIECZYSLAW NIZNIK HALOCHA SCHOLARSHIP  
 JOSEPH S. ROZANSKI SCHOLARSHIP

*Preference will be given to the following field of study;  
Journalism, Media, Political Science, Social Work*

The Polish Cultural Foundation grants a number of scholarships to deserving students in need of financial Assistance. Only one {1} award shall be given per applicant.

**QUALIFICATIONS: Applicant must:**

1. Be a New Jersey resident, **of Polish descent**, a U.S. Citizen or permanent resident.
2. Be an undergraduate student, having completed the freshman year at an accredited college or university.
3. Have a cumulative **GPA of 3.0** or higher.
4. Submit with this application a completed financial student aid report (SAR or FAFSA).
5. Provide an official transcript from all colleges or universities attended.
6. NOT be a previous recipient of a scholarship from the Foundation Scholarship Program.

**DIRECTIONS:**

- **ALL** items on the application must be completed, typed or clearly printed. **Incomplete forms will not be considered.**
- Forms must be sent to the Scholarship Committee Chairperson
- All applications are to be postmarked no later than by **April 15, 2017 and must include a 2 ½ X 2 ½ inch picture (passport size). Faxed applications will not be accepted.**
- Community college graduates or transfer students must provide verification of acceptance by the school to be attended during the scholarship year as well as an official transcript from all colleges attended.
- Applicants may telephone the Scholarship Committee with questions concerning the application.
- The selection procedure involves a personal interview of some nominated scholarship applicants. **Interviews will be conducted May 15 thru May 26, 2017.**
- Each applicant will be notified of his/her status on or about June 1, 2017. **All award decisions are final.**

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1. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last Name* *First Name* *Middle Name*

2. (a) Present address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Permanent home address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_

3. Place and date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

4. US Citizen: [ ] Yes [ ] No, If permanent resident, your Alien Registration Number \_\_\_\_\_

5. Social Security Number : \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_

6. Explain your Polish heritage \_\_\_\_\_

7. Family Background

(a) Marital Status: \_\_\_\_ Single \_\_\_\_ Married Spouse's name \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Place of employment \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Father's name \_\_\_\_\_ Living: \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Place of employment \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Mother's maiden name \_\_\_\_\_ Living: \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Place of employment \_\_\_\_\_

8. **Educational Background:**

(a) Name and address of the school you will be attending this school year: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(b) Level of education (at start of next semester)

Sophomore [ ] Junior [ ] Senior [ ] Other \_\_\_\_\_

Majoring in \_\_\_\_\_ Credits required: \_\_\_\_\_ Credits Completed \_\_\_\_\_

(c) List schools attended (most recent first)

School/Location	Date From/To	Major	Year Grad	Degree
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

High School — Name, Location, Years attended, Year graduated:  
\_\_\_\_\_

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9. **Financial Information: (Information provided is strictly confidential for scholarship committee use).**

(a) Projected expenses and financial resources for the academic year the scholarship is to be awarded.

Projected Expenses

Estimated Financial Resources

Tuition \_\_\_\_\_

Funds from student employment \_\_\_\_\_

Room & Board \_\_\_\_\_

Funds from parents/guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Books \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarship Awards \_\_\_\_\_

Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Tuition Waivers \_\_\_\_\_

Loans \_\_\_\_\_

Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Expenses** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Financial Resources** \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Name and age of other family members who will be attending college during this academic year.

Name

Age

School

Year (undergrad/grad)

If there are financial circumstances or special circumstances you wish to bring to the attention of the Scholarship Committee, **please explain on a separate attached sheet.**

10. Have you previously applied for a scholarship from the Polish Cultural Foundation? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

Year applied \_\_\_\_\_ Received \_\_\_\_\_ Not Received \_\_\_\_\_

**An applicant may only receive one (1) scholarship award from the Foundation Scholarship Program**

11. How did you learn of the Foundation's Scholarships? \_\_\_\_\_

12. List and describe your school related extracurricular activities and other current interests.

(Use additional sheets if needed)

13. Attach a one-two page (typewritten, double spaced) original essay written in English answering:

**"In your opinion, explain why the world would be a better place without  
this invention: \_\_\_\_\_."**

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14. Enclose two (2) letters of recommendation in separate sealed envelopes.
- One must be on institutional letter head from a faculty member attesting to your academic qualities.
  - The other from an individual of your choice who has known you for at least two (2) years.

15. Name and address of your home town newspaper:

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16. List & describe your involvement in the Polish community.

17. Include a copy of your resume.

**I hereby certify that all of the information I have provided in this application is to the best of my knowledge, complete, true and correct.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**APPLICATION IS TO BE FORWARDED TO**

Anna Buontempo, Chairperson  
Scholarship Committee  
Polish Cultural Foundation  
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Clark, N J 07066-1855

Polish Cultural Foundation  
Telephone 732-382-7197  
FAX 732-382-7169  
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**SCHOLARSHIP AWARD IS TO BE MAILED DIRECTLY TO**

School \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICE OF THE BURSAR/CASHIER

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_