

# 2017 Taiwanese American Scholarship Fund

Please read the following instructions before starting the application.

**Deadline: 11:59pm – Wednesday, March 29, 2017**

## ELIGIBILITY:

- U.S. Citizen or U.S. permanent resident (holders of a Permanent Resident Card) AND a direct blood descendant of a Taiwanese citizen
- High school senior or 1st year college student residing in the United States
- Plan to attend a University or College as a 1st or 2nd year student in the Fall of 2017 in the United States (If selected, high school seniors must submit college acceptance letter for verification.)
- Have a minimum cumulative unweighted high school/college GPA of 3.0
- Have a household income at or below the Federal/State/County Low Income Level (Must be able to show 2015 or 2016 tax return should applicant be selected for award.)
- The scholarship is open to ALL MAJORS
- All awardees must submit a short YouTube video. Detailed instructions will be provided to awardees at a later time.

## APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

- Online Application Form
- Official High School/College Transcript
- Three References

## INSTRUCTIONS & GUIDELINES:

- [Announcement Flier](#)
- [Low Income Level Guidelines](#)
- [Online Instructions](#)
- [Sample Application](#)

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All materials must be RECEIVED by 11:59pm – Wednesday, March 29, 2017. Anything received (whether mailed, emailed, or faxed) past that date and time will NOT be considered, regardless of the postmark. Application form may only be submitted online – Hard copies will NOT be accepted.

Do not mail additional materials, such as resumes, certificates, or newspaper clippings, unless requested. They will not be reviewed.

Awardees will be notified no later than June 30, 2017. The scholarship award can only be used to cover the cost of attending a university/college. This may include tuition, fees, books, supplies, living expenses, and meals. What is included in the cost of attendance varies by institution.

If you have questions or need additional information, please email [info@tascholarshipfund.org](mailto:info@tascholarshipfund.org).

NOTE: You will not be able to save your form and return to it. Do not hit backspace or refresh when filling out this form. To preview a sample form, click [here](#).

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## I. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Last Name: \*

First Name: \*

Middle Initial:

Maximum Allowed: 1 characters. Currently Used: 0 characters.

Date of Birth: \*

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Gender:

Male

Female

Address of Primary Residence: \*

Street Address

Address Line 2

City

State / Province / Region

Postal / Zip Code

Country

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Email: \*

Status of Residency: (If "None of the Above," please do not submit an application). \*

- U.S. Citizen  
 Permanent Resident of the U.S.  
 U.S. National  
 Citizen of the Freely Associated States  
 None of the Above

Are you a direct blood descendant of a Taiwanese citizen? (If "No," please do not submit an application). \*

Yes  No

Please state how you meet the requirement of being a direct blood descendant of a Taiwanese citizen (e.g. father is a Taiwanese citizen, grandmother is a Taiwanese citizen): \*

Country of Birth: \*

How did you hear about the Taiwanese American Scholarship Fund? Check all that apply. \*

- Taiwanese American Scholarship Fund Website
- Asian Pacific Community Fund
- Career Center
- Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, etc.)
- Newspaper/TV/Radio
- School Counselor/Teacher
- Word of Mouth
- Scholarship Clearinghouse (Fastweb.com, etc.)
- Other

If checked "Other" please specify:

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## II. SECONDARY/HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

High School Name: \*

City, State, Zip Code: \*

Date of High School Graduation or GED: \*

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Cumulative UNWEIGHTED High School GPA: \*

I am a... \*

- High School Senior entering my first year of college in Fall 2017.
- 1st Year college student entering my second year in Fall 2017.
- Neither of the above. (Please do not submit an application.)

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## III. COLLEGE INFORMATION

College you are attending or plan to attend in Fall of 2017: \*

Intended Career: \*

Core Major: \*

- Arts & Humanities
- Social Sciences
- Natural Sciences
- Engineering
- Other

Cumulative UNWEIGHTED College GPA (if applicable):

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#### IV. LEADERSHIP

List the 3 most significant leadership activities you have participated in (e.g. school clubs/organizations, student government, varsity or club sports, and religious or community groups) starting from the 9th grade ONLY and not before that. Describe your roles and responsibilities. Please do not use acronyms. Please be sure to include any involvement in the Taiwanese American community.

1. Name of Leadership Organization/Activity:

Highest Position Held:

Number of Months in that Position:

Brief Description of Activity:

Maximum Allowed: 150 words. Currently Used: 0 words.

2. Name of Leadership Organization/Activity:

Highest Position Held:

Number of Months in that Position:

Brief Description of Activity:

Maximum Allowed: 150 words. Currently Used: 0 words.

3. Name of Leadership Organization/Activity:

Highest Position Held:

Number of Months in that Position:

Brief Description of Activity:

Maximum Allowed: 150 words. Currently Used: 0 words.

## V. COMMUNITY SERVICE

List the 3 most significant community service activities you have participated in (e.g. food banks, homeless shelters, city events, club-organized community service) starting from the 9th grade ONLY and not before that. Describe your roles and responsibilities. Please do not use acronyms. Please be sure to include any involvement in the Taiwanese American Community.

1. Name of Volunteer Organization/Activity:

Highest Position Held:

Total Number of Community Service Hours for this Organization:

Brief Description of Activity:

Maximum Allowed: 150 words. Currently Used: 0 words.

2. Name of Volunteer Organization/Activity:

Highest Position Held:

Total Number of Community Service Hours for this Organization:

Brief Description of Activity:

Maximum Allowed: 150 words. Currently Used: 0 words.

3. Name of Volunteer Organization/Activity:

Highest Position Held:

Total Number of Community Service Hours for this Organization:

Brief Description of Activity:

Maximum Allowed: 150 words. Currently Used: 0 words.

## VII. FAMILY'S FINANCIAL INFORMATION

If awarded the scholarship, scholarship candidates may be required to submit either a 2015 or 2016 tax return.

Are you financially independent from your parent(s)/ guardian(s)? \*

Yes

No

What is the 2015/2016 adjusted gross income for yourself and/or your parent(s)/guardian(s)? (i.e. 10000) \*

Number of family members living in your household:

(If independent, please include yourself, your spouse, or any dependents. If dependent, please include yourself, your parents, and other dependents.) \*

County of Residence:

## VIII. FAMILY'S EDUCATION INFORMATION

This data is for informational purposes only and will not be used as criteria during the selection process.

Are you the first in your family to attend college?

Yes

No

Do you have any siblings that currently attend/did attend college?

Yes

No

What is the highest level of education completed by your Mother/Guardian?

No formal schooling

Less than high school

High school degree

Associate's degree

Bachelor's degree

Graduate/professional degree

Unknown

In what country was the highest level of education completed by your Mother/Guardian?

What is the highest level of education completed by your Father/Guardian?

No formal schooling

Less than high school

High school degree

Associate's degree

Bachelor's degree

Graduate/professional degree

Unknown

In what country was the highest level of education completed by your Father/Guardian?

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## IX. ESSAYS

1. In 500 words or less, please explain what motivates you, why you chose your area of study, and what you hope to accomplish in your future career. \*

Sample

Maximum Allowed: 650 words. Currently Used: 0 words.

2. In 500 words or less, describe what being Taiwanese American means to you and how it has shaped the person you are today. Please also include any relevant involvement in the Taiwanese American community. \*

Maximum Allowed: 500 words. Currently Used: 0 words.

### References

Please list three (3) references whom may be contacted regarding your application. Family members and friends will not be accepted. References from individuals within the Taiwanese American community encouraged.

1. Name \*

First Last

Years Known: \*

Title: \*

Company/Organization: \*

Relationship to Applicant: \*

Best Daytime Phone Number to be Reached: \*

Email Address:

2. Name \*

First Last

Years Known: \*

Title: \*

Company/Organization: \*

Relationship to Applicant: \*

Best Daytime Phone Number to be Reached: \*

Email Address:

3. Name \*

Years Known: \*



First Last

Title: \*

Company/Organization: \*

Relationship to Applicant: \*

Best Daytime Phone Number to be Reached: \*

Email Address:

## X. OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT

You must submit a copy of your most recent OFFICIAL...

1. High school transcript that includes the first quarter/semester of your freshman year through the first quarter/semester of your senior year with your application if you are a high school senior.

2. College transcript that includes your Fall (and Winter if available) quarter/semester of your 1st year if you are a 1st year college student.

Minimum (unweighted) cumulative GPA is 3.0.

You can upload a copy electronically. File names should be formatted as follows: "[First Name] [Last Name] Transcript.pdf" For example, a PDF file of Anna Lee's transcript should be named: "Anna Lee Transcript.pdf" Electronic versions must be uploaded as PDF files.

You can also:

- Scan your official transcript and email it to [info@tascholarshipfund.org](mailto:info@tascholarshipfund.org)
- Fax it to (213) 624-6406
- Or Mail it to

Asian Pacific Community Fund  
ATTN: TASF  
1145 Wilshire Blvd, Suite 105  
Los Angeles, CA 90017

Upload Your Transcript

No file chosen

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## XI. CERTIFICATION

I certify that to the best of my knowledge, information on this application is complete and accurate. I understand that any falsification of any information may cause my disqualification from the scholarship competition or revocation if a scholarship has been granted, at the Taiwanese American Scholarship Fund's sole discretion. I understand it is my responsibility to make sure this application is complete and submitted by the deadline listed on the application. Furthermore, I understand that if my application is not complete, or if I do not submit my application by the deadline, I may be disqualified from the scholarship competition and may not be considered for a scholarship. This application, upon receipt, becomes the property of the Taiwanese American Scholarship Fund, and I understand and agree that the Taiwanese American Scholarship Fund or any of its affiliates may use for any purpose and disclose in any medium determined by the Taiwanese American Scholarship Fund in its sole discretion any of the information contained in this application. However, I hereby give my consent to the Taiwanese American Scholarship Fund to disclose information on my application (including personally identifiable information) to the sponsor of the scholarships and to contact me at any time regarding the scholarship.

To comply with the provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, I hereby give permission for school officials to release my secondary school record and other requested information, if necessary.

Applicant Signature:

(Typing your name in the box constitutes your signature.) \*

Parent/Guardian Signature (if applicant is under 18):

(Typing your name in the box constitutes your signature.)

Sample