



2008 Latinos Unidos/Mercy College Scholarship Application

Latinos Unidos of Iowa, Inc. is very proud to collaborate with Mercy College – Health Sciences to provide \$1000.00 scholarship applications to Latino students who will attend **Mercy College – Health Sciences**. The application is on the Latinos Unidos website with a deadline for submitting of June 15, **2008**. The Latinos Unidos Scholarships will be awarded on August 2, 2008 prior to the Fall Semester (the winners will be notified via email).

This scholarship is awarded in conjunction with Latinos Unidos, a local Hispanic social service and referral agency serving central Iowa, One of its goals is to enhance health care services and related educational opportunities. Candidates for this \$1,000 award will be recommended by Latinos Unidos and selected by Mercy College on the basis of meeting the academic requirements for admission to the College and for their program of interest, and a demonstrated financial need. Two scholarships will be awarded to qualified entering students each year. Candidates must complete the Mercy College application process and Latinos Unidos scholarship application. The accepted candidates may use the scholarships for one-year certificate program. It may be renewed a second year for students completing an associate's degree.

Other terms and conditions:

1. Candidates must be recommended and complete their application for admission by June 15, 2008 for the fall of 2008.
2. Recipients may begin their course of study September 2008, depending upon their academic program.
3. Latinos Unidos agrees to promote the availability of the scholarship on a regular basis through its various communications with the Des Moines Latino Community for the purpose of identifying qualified scholarship candidates.
4. A copy of the Mercy College – Health Sciences application.

5. 2008 Latinos Unidos/Mercy College – Health Sciences Scholarship application Criteria:

1. **Only type written applications will be accepted.**
2. All Applications must be **submitted Electronically** with all requested information.
3. Submit all the information to the following scholarship judge:

Ewa Pratt

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4. **Applications must be accompanied with:**

- Essay: Leadership and Mentoring roles and Service to the Latino or local communities.
- Financial need.
- Letter of recommendation.
- Transcript – GPA.
- Enrolled in the institution.
- Applicant responsible to provide any changes 3 weeks prior to award.
- A list of all other scholarships awarded to and offered to applicant.

Further Instructions

Aside from the information requested on the front side of this application, applicants must provide the following items:

A. Essay

On a separate sheet of paper please write an essay that addresses the following items. Essays should be no longer than 2 single-space printed/typed pages.

- 1. Life goals**
- 2. College career plans**
- 3. Involvement in school activities**
- 4. Leadership roles**
- 5. Mentoring individuals**
- 6. Service to the Latino or local community**
- 7. Financial need**

B. Letter of recommendation

Please solicit, from a person who can address as many of the items above as possible, a letter of recommendation that s may be sent via e-mail attachment (in Word) the address below.

C. Transcript

Please provide the latest transcript from your institution. The transcript should document your G.P.A. listed on the front side of this form.

Please send items electronically a) completed form, b) Essay, c) letter of Recommendation, and d) Transcript, e) proof of current enrollment status.

For more information on scholarship categories, and information on how scholarships will be judged, consult the Latinos Unidos wesite: www.latinosunidosofiowa.com