

Latino Scholarship Network



Searching for Scholarships

Locating scholarships appropriate for you is often the hardest part of the scholarship process. You will need to invest some time into locating scholarships for which you are qualified. There are many opportunities out there for all types of students. Whether you search a free scholarship search engine or use your university scholarship resources, the time and energy you invest will reap benefits.

Application Tips and Pointers

- Search for scholarships early - The majority of scholarship deadlines are between November and May for the following academic year. It pays to do your research ahead of time so that you don't miss important deadlines.
- Apply for as many as possible - The process is competitive, but the outcome is worth it.
- Make your application stand out – Your application must have perfect grammar and spelling. Also, make sure your essay reflects you, your goals & accomplishments, and the scholarship-granting organization's values.
- Follow the scholarship application's directions.

Writing Scholarship Essays

The scholarship essay will be the most important part of your scholarship application. Here are some important tips:

- Know your audience.
- Create a Thesis.
- Don't be shy about highlighting your accomplishments.
- Make your essay stand out.
- Choose your words wisely – Be conscious of word counts and back up your thesis with examples of your worth and accomplishments.

Letters of Recommendation and Interviews

Some scholarship application processes will require letters of recommendation and/or interviews. A recommender should be a person of authority who knows you well enough to attest to your merits and potential. For example a professor, your employer, academic counselor, coach, or a person in a position of leadership with an organization of which you are a member.

Where to look?

- (1) General Search Engines
- (2) Ohio specific scholarships
- (3) University/College Scholarships
- (4) Nation-wide Scholarships