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COLORADO TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY

WOUNDED WARRIOR

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:

Colorado Technical University®

YELLOW RIBBON FUND, INC
Welcoming Our Injured Service Members Home

INFORMATION

Colorado Technical University, in partnership with the Yellow Ribbon Fund, Inc. has established a scholarship program that awards full scholarships to attend Colorado Technical University through the online platform for up to 25 spouses of wounded service members. The purpose of this online scholarship is to assist selected service members spouses in expanding their career opportunities as they return to their communities or continue to serve with the military.

ELIGIBILITY

Candidates for the scholarship must:

1. Submit attestation and proof of high school graduation, GED or the equivalent. Acceptable documentation of high school graduation or its equivalency must be received by CTU by the first day of the second quarter in the degree program of study. It is the student's responsibility to provide this documentation. Any student who does not provide documentation of high school equivalency prior to the first day of the second academic quarter may be subject to cancellation from the university.
2. Be a spouse of an active member or Veteran of the United States armed forces currently receiving/or has received medical treatment for injuries suffered in combat during Operation Enduring Freedom or Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Employees of Career Education Corporation (CEC) and its schools, and their immediate family members are not eligible to receive the scholarship.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates for the scholarship must:

1. Submit a complete, signed scholarship application, together with all supporting documentation by September 1, 2014. The completion of the application does not create any obligation to either admit the student to Colorado Technical University or to award the scholarship.
2. Submit a complete and comprehensive essay following the guidelines provided in the essay description attachment.
3. Submit answers to the Additional Questions.

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APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP

The university subscribes to a policy of nondiscrimination. We do not discriminate on the basis of age, color, creed, ethnic origin, nationality, handicap, or sex. Release of student information will comply with federal regulations.

Online Class Start Date: ☐ **January 4, 2015** or ☐ **February 15, 2015**

PERSONAL DATA

Applicant's Full Legal Name

Address | City | State | Zip Code

Phone | E-mail | Military Company

Hometown | Desired Degree

U.S. Citizen? ☐ Yes ☐ No Legal Permanent Resident? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Is English your first language? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If No, have you taken a TOEFL Exam or English Proficiency Exam? ☐ Yes ☐ No

EDUCATIONAL RECORD

Name of High School/ Secondary School

City/State | Date of Graduation

Please list all colleges/universities previously attended:

Name | City/State | Degree Obtained | Dates of Enrollment

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I declare to the best of my knowledge, all information on this application is correct. If I am admitted to the Colorado Technical University, I agree to abide by its policies and regulations.

Applicant Signature | Date MM/DD/YY

SELECTION PROCESS

The recipients of these scholarships will be chosen by a Selection Board consisting of members from the academic, military and wounded warrior support communities. The Selection Board is looking particularly for spouses wounded warriors who demonstrate a strong desire to advance their education and to apply their degree to career advancement after the completion of the degree program. The Selection Board members will also carefully consider what the service member spouse feels the future impact a degree will have on his or her future, family and community. Selection Board members will give significant weight to the essay and short answer questions in their selection.

It is the responsibility of the service member spouse to complete the entire application package. All materials must be submitted in a single package, prior to the deadline. The decisions of the Selection Board are final and are not subject to a review process. Scholarship selections shall be made without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, marital status or any other characteristic protected by law. The scholarship selections will be based on the overall quality of the application and the Selection Board's evaluation of scholarship essays.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

A complete application packet must be turned in to the Colorado Technical University Wounded Warrior Scholarship representative, in person, by e-mail or by fax, on or before September 1, 2014. Applications received after the deadline may not be considered.

A Completed Scholarship Application to Colorado Technical University includes:

- Personal Data Sheet
- Signed Terms and Conditions
- Attestation of High School graduation, GED or the equivalent
- Verification Sheet
- Scholarship Essay
- Short Answer Questions

ESSAY FOR ADMISSION

The Selection Board will weigh the essay heavily in their evaluation of the applications. High importance will be placed on the applicant's desire to advance their education, desire to utilize his or her education after completion of the degree and the impact that the applicant feels a degree will have on his or her family, their future and their community.

ESSAY QUESTIONS

The essay should be no less than two pages and no more than four pages. It must be double spaced, and in 12 point font. **All questions must be addressed and answered.**

Dear Selection Board:
Please accept my complete and comprehensive essay explaining my interest and qualifications for this scholarship.

- Tell us the conditions in which your spouse became a Wounded Warrior.
- What are some future challenges you may face as a Wounded Warrior spouse?
- How will this degree help you and your spouse overcome future obstacles? What are your future career plans once you obtain this degree?
- Where can you use your strengths to overcome any obstacles you may encounter in order to successfully complete this degree?
- Explain to the Selection Board, why you should be chosen. How are you unique among your peers?

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

The Selection Board would like to know a little more about you. Please answer the following questions, on a separate sheet of paper in short answer format, to help the Selection Board know what you have accomplished in the past and what you hope to accomplish in the future.

1. What extracurricular activities have you been (or are currently) involved with?
2. What do you feel your most important accomplishments have been in your adult life (academic or personal/professional)?
3. How will this degree help you to accomplish your goals (personal or professional)?
4. How would you represent CTU as an alumnus?

AWARD DATE

Awards will be announced and formal notification sent to recipients by **November 1, 2014**.

TERMS & CONDITIONS OF SCHOLARSHIP

When you apply for the Wounded Warrior Scholarship offered through Colorado Technical University, you agree to the following terms and conditions:

1. The scholarships are conditioned upon the recipient's acceptance into Colorado Technical University, complying with all other rules applicable to students attending Colorado Technical University and remaining in good standing with the university.
2. In the event you are awarded a scholarship, you must be enrolled and taking courses in the January or February sessions following the awarding of scholarship.
3. Lack of communication with Scholarship Advisor throughout full duration of scholarship program will be viewed as resignation of the scholarship.
4. The scholarship recipient must complete his/her program of study within 150% of the standard program length and in accordance with CTU's satisfactory academic progress policies.
5. Student must stay in attendance as a full time student for the duration of the degree program, unless other arrangements have been made in advance.
6. The scholarship applies to one specific degree completion program determined at the point of initial admission based on student's current education level. Program changes are subject to approval by the department Dean.
7. The scholarship can, at Colorado Technical University's sole discretion, be suspended in quarters when the student's cumulative grade-point average falls below 2.0 for undergraduate; 3.0 for Masters; and 3.3 for Doctoral.
8. All application materials shall become the property of Colorado Technical University regardless if you are awarded or accept the scholarship. Upon the award of the scholarship and your acceptance, Colorado Technical University shall have the right to (1) use and republish your application and any of its contents and (2) reference and acknowledge your name and authorship of the application for any purpose whatsoever, including for use in press release. In addition, you agree to cooperate with Colorado Technical University in executing a consent and release form, if requested.
9. These terms and conditions are in addition to any other terms and conditions set forth in any other part of the Colorado Technical University documentation for students, including but not limited to the student catalog, catalog addendum, student handbook and enrollment agreement. Any necessary determination or clarification as to the interpretation or to the application of a particular term shall be made at the sole discretion of the Selection Board and/or Colorado Technical University.
10. In the event of a withdrawal from the institution, or a termination of enrollment, either by the student or by Colorado Technical University, the scholarship becomes null and void and shall not be reinstated, including without limitation, in the event of a re-entry to Colorado Technical University.
11. The scholarship applies to tuition, course materials and fees only. It does not apply to and may not be used for any other purpose. The scholarship is a non-cash credit towards your studies through Colorado Technical University's Virtual Campus. No cash will be awarded to the scholarship recipients in lieu of tuition for transfer credits applied. The scholarships are not transferable and may not be redeemed for cash or credit. No check or other cash monies will be given and/or refunded to the student at any time. No exceptions.
12. Failure to comply with the terms and conditions of this scholarship will result in termination of the scholarship. Cash funds will not be disbursed under any circumstance related to this scholarship's award, termination, denial, or any other action.
13. Colorado Technical University reserves the right to cancel, postpone or end this scholarship program at any time, at its sole discretion.

Applicant Signature Date MM/DD/YY

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CTU cannot guarantee employment or salary. Find employment rates, financial obligations and other disclosures at www.coloradotech.edu/disclosures. University grants or scholarships are based on established criteria as published in the university's catalog and are awarded after verification that the conditions of eligibility have been met. Financial aid is available for those who qualify. 852-36388 03/14

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ATTESTATION STATEMENT

I, _____, have applied for admission as a student at Colorado Technical University. I understand that one requirement for admission to the University is graduation from high school or its equivalency.

I hereby certify that:

I graduated from

_____
Name of High School

_____
City State Date of Graduation*

I earned the GED at

_____
Name of Testing Facility

_____
City State Date of Examination

I completed a home school program at (must attach self-certification letter):

_____
Address

_____
City State

If, for any reason, this attestation of high school graduation or GED/home school completion is found to be false or untrue, I understand that I will not have met an admission requirement of the University and I will not be considered a regular student, and thus, will be subject to immediate dismissal from the University.

Furthermore, I understand that if this attestation is found to be false or untrue, all Title IV financial aid or any state or institutional financial aid that was disbursed on my behalf must be refunded to the appropriate source, and that I will be responsible for payment to the university for any and all monies refunded.

By my signature below, I attest that the information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge

_____
Signature Date

*High School students who have not yet completed high school should note their anticipated date of graduation and indicate that the date is not yet final.

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VETERAN SPOUSE VERIFICATION SHEET

Applicant Name

Wounded Warrior Name

Wounded Warrior Rank

Location

Wounded Warrior Branch: ☐ ARMY ☐ NAVY ☐ AIR FORCE ☐ MARINES ☐ COAST GUARD

Service Member Awarded Purple Heart Medal? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Eligibility of Wounded Veteran

- Minimum of 30% VA Disability Rating
- Wounded in a combat zone while serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom or Operation Enduring Freedom
- Honorably Discharged, Medically Retired or Retired
- Must be able to provide documentation proving Veteran status and injury

Veteran Status

Must provide the following document for proof of military status:

☐ DD 214

Disability Status

Must provide one of the following documents for proof of injury:

☐ DA 199

☐ MEB

☐ Official VA Eligibility Letter

Spouse Verification

Must provide proof of marriage:

☐ Marriage Certificate

☐ DD 214 of Veteran

☐ Veteran disability status document from above