



2014 - 2015 LIFE Scholarship Affidavit

The LIFE Scholarship is dependent upon action by the General Assembly and amounts are dependent upon the availability of funds to be appropriated for the Program. In order to receive the LIFE Scholarship, the student must, among other things:

1. Be registered Full-time (at least 12 credit hours) each Fall and Spring semester. **12 credit hours of the course-load must be non-remedial and non-Continuing Education courses.** Remedial and Continuing Education courses will not be included in the cumulative grade point average or credit hour calculations Applicants and their parents must be a SC resident at the time of high school graduation and college enrollment. **LIFE Scholarship only covers Fall & Spring Semesters.**
2. Earn no less than a 3.0 cumulative GPA and earn a minimum of 30 credit hours per Academic Year based on your initial college enrollment, if you begin in the Fall semester, in order to be eligible for renewal.
3. For terms of eligibility that begin during the Spring Semester, you **must complete 15 credit hours and maintain a 3.0 GPA to remain eligible for the following academic year.**

As a LIFE recipient I certify that I have **never** been adjudicated as delinquent, convicted, or pled guilty or *nolo contendere* to any felonies or any second or subsequent alcohol/drug related offenses under the laws of this or any other state or under the laws of the United States. A student otherwise qualified **who has been** adjudicated as delinquent or has been convicted or pled guilty or *nolo contendere* to a second or subsequent alcohol or drug-related misdemeanor offense nevertheless **shall be eligible** or continue to be eligible for the scholarship **after the expiration of one (1) academic year** from the date of the adjudication, conviction, or plea by submitting an affidavit each academic year to the institution. However, a student who has been adjudicated as delinquent, convicted, or pled guilty or *nolo contendere* to a **second** alcohol/drug related misdemeanor offense is **ineligible for the next academic year** of enrollment at an eligible institution **after the date** of the adjudication, conviction, or plea. If the adjudication, conviction, or plea **occurs during the academic year** after the student has already submitted a signed affidavit to the institution, the student will be **eligible** to receive the Scholarship the **remainder of the academic year**. However, the student **will be ineligible** for the Scholarship **the following entire academic year** of enrollment. If a student completes a pre-trial intervention program and has their record expunged, the conviction will not affect Scholarship eligibility. If I am adjudicated as delinquent or am convicted or pled guilty or *nolo contendere* to any felonies or any alcohol or drug related misdemeanor offenses under the laws of this or any other state, or under the laws of the United States, I agree to notify the Financial Aid Office by the start of the Academic year.

I hereby give permission for a background check to be conducted to verify the above. I understand additional information may be requested after the background check has been conducted.

I also affirm that I am not in default and do not owe a refund or repayment on any Federal or State Financial Aid including: State grants/scholarships, Federal Pell Grant, Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, Perkins Loan, Federal Stafford Loan, and Plus Loan.

Any false information provided by the student or any attempt to expend any scholarship funds for unlawful purposes or any purpose other than in payment or reimbursement for the cost of attendance at the institution authorized to award the scholarship and /or grant will be cause for immediate cancellation. Any student who has obtained a scholarship through means of a willfully false statement or failure to reveal any material fact, condition, or circumstances affecting eligibility will be subject to applicable civil or criminal penalties, including retroactive loss of the scholarship and/or grant.

For purposes of determining my LIFE Scholarship grade point average (GPA), I certify that I have submitted previous official transcript(s) from ALL College Institutions I have ever attended. I understand that this information will be used to determine my LIFE Scholarship GPA only and will not be used for my institutional academic standing or for graduation purposes. I also affirm that if I take courses after signing this document, I will submit any additional transcripts to my home institution.

Student's Signature

Date

Print Name

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HGTC ID

*** You must return this signed form before the LIFE Scholarship can be transferred to your student account.**