Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin, Inc.- Madison WI



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2017

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APPLICANT

Name – Applicant – First, Middle, Last		
U.S. Citizen Legal Perm. Resident Wisconsin Resident		
How did you find out about the Polish Heritage-Madison Scholarship Award?		
□PHC Member □School □Internet □Other:		
Mailing Address – Street, City, State		
Telephone Number	Email	
Name - Mother	Name – Father	
Telephone Number	Telephone Number	
Email	Email	
SCHOOL		
Name – High School	Date - Graduation GPA	
Address – High School		
Name – College/University You Plan to Attend		
Address - College/University - Street, City, State		
ACHIEVEMENTS		
Key Extracurricular Activities/Organizations		
Key Leadership/Honors/Awards		
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ATTACHMENTS - Type in English Language		

- 1. Ancestry What is your Polish ancestry? Describe your exposure to and/or familiarity with the Polish language and culture.
- 2. Career Plans Describe in 150 200 words your educational plans/career goals
- 3. Essay Write an original 750 1000 word informative essay on a major event in Polish arts, culture, or history. Explain why the topic interests you or how it relates to you personally. This essay is to be well researched and well supported. In your essay, properly footnote all your sources.

NOTE: If you become a winner of this year's Scholarship Award, the Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin-Madison may wish to publish your essay, properly attributed to you as a winner, in its member newsletter and on its website.

By submitting your essay and application, you agree to such publication with your photograph and general bio information as hometown, school and major.

You also agree to receive your certificate in person or by proxy during a club event in Madison, WI.

You certify that your essay is original and all information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of your knowledge.

The Scholarship Committee has your permission to verify school and community activities, and agree to release, from all liability and responsibility all persons, schools or organizations supplying this information to the committee.

You understand that the decisions of the Scholarship Committee are final. All information will be confidential and confined to the scrutiny of the Scholarship Committee.

SIGNATURE - Applicant	Date Signed
SIGNATURE – Parent or Guardian	Date Signed

Application must be postmarked no later than **May 15**, **2017** in order to be considered.

Mail (Faxes/Email NOT accepted) Application Packet and three copies to:

Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin-Madison

Attention: Scholarship Committee

P.O. Box 45438 Madison WI 53744

Direct Questions to:

brinkpa@att.net or write to the committee at the above address.

For more information go to: www.phcwi-madison.org



SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Founded in 1979, the Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin-Madison (PHCWI) was formed to promote the heritage of our Polish ancestors through educational, cultural, charitable, and social objectives including:

- Encourage among Americans, particularly Americans of Polish ancestry, an
 interest in and knowledge of the Polish as well as American traditions in their
 cultural heritage.
- Join together for social and civic activities to sustain the originality, value and joy of Polish customs and tradition and their compatibility with American history and heritage.
- Give an organized welcome in Wisconsin to artists, scholars, dignitaries, writers, musicians and other proponents of Polish-American culture.
- Promote understanding and unity among Americans of all ethnic backgrounds.
- Advance academic learning and education of our Polish heritage.
- Contribute to charitable causes.

The Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin-Madison will award a \$1000 scholarship to provide tuition assistance for students pursuing a secondary education.

The Scholarship Committee of PHCWI will review the application materials submitted by each student to ensure that criteria have been met and present to the Board of Directors their candidate for the scholarship. The scholarship check will be awarded upon verification of completing one semester of the coming school year. The decisions of the Scholarship Committee and PHCI-BOD are final and are not subject to review.

To Be Eligible for Consideration

- 1. Applicant must be of verifiable Polish ancestry OR studying the Polish language, history, society or culture OR be significantly engaged with Polish culture.
- 2. Applicant must be a U.S. citizen or a legal permanent resident
- 3. Applicant must be a Wisconsin resident
- 4. Applicant must be enrolling or enrolled in an educational program seeking the associate or bachelor's degree in any field of study at an accredited U.S. university or college
- 5. Applicant has demonstrated excellent academic performance. Successful applicants will usually have a grade point average of at least a 3.0 on a four-point scale.

All applicants must complete the scholarship application and requested attachments, sign, date and mail materials (post marked) no later than May 15. Faxes NOT accepted. Original and 3 duplicate copies of all materials must be mailed to the Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin-Madison. All materials submitted by applicants will become part of the records of the PHCWI and will not be returned. Late, incomplete or unsigned applications will not be accepted or returned for corrections.

For additional information, please see our website, <u>www.phcwi-madison.org</u> or write to the Polish Heritage Club of Wisconsin-Madison, Attention: Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 45438, Madison WI, 53744