



Hellenic University Club of New York, Inc.

Scholarship Committee

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Qualification Criteria, Requirements and Guidelines for 2026 Undergraduate Scholarship Applicants

The Hellenic University Club Undergraduate Scholarship Awards (“Awards”) are offered in recognition and honor of Greek American students who have exemplified high scholastic achievement.

The Hellenic University Club of New York (“Organization”) will offer Scholarship Awards of \$4,000 each based on academic achievement and financial need.

All applicants must meet the eligibility requirements and submit a complete Hellenic University Club Undergraduate Scholarship Application (“Application”) to the Organization.

ELIGIBILITY

- High school students that will graduate in Spring 2026 from state certified high schools, or equivalents, and will matriculate at accredited universities/colleges in the U.S. in Fall 2026 as full-time students pursuing bachelor’s degrees
- Applicants must be U.S. citizens or U.S. permanent residents and living in the tri-state New York area (New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut)
- Applicants must be of Hellenic descent – at least one great grandparent with Hellenic roots
- Applicants must have a cumulative average of at least 90% (or 3.5 GPA) or be in the top 10% of their class
- Applicants must be able to demonstrate financial need

ELIGIBILITY LIMITATIONS

- High school students with projected graduation dates in 2027 or later are not eligible to apply this cycle
- The Awards are not available to home schooled students
- Directors, officers, committee members and employees of the Organization and their immediate families are not eligible to apply for an Award

FINANCIAL CRITERIA

Applicants must provide the Organization with their 2026-2027 FASFA Submission Summary. A scanned PDF file of the Submission Summary should be emailed to hucnyc@gmail.com with the applicant's completed application. Please redact all social security numbers. Additional financial information may be requested, if needed. All financial information will remain confidential.

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

ONE letter of recommendation is required for all applicants – academic OR personal reference letter.

ACADEMIC LETTER OF REFERENCE

- Letters must be prepared by individuals who are in the position to provide an informed evaluation of applicant's academic performance including teachers, guidance counselors, academic advisors, or principals.
- Recommenders must prepare a recommendation letter that specifically addresses applicant's scholastic performance.
- Recommendation letter must be submitted on official school stationery in direct reference to the Hellenic University Club of NY.
- Letter must be scanned and emailed as a PDF file by the recommender directly to the Organization (hucnyc@gmail.com).
- Letter must be emailed no later than the application deadline.
- Recommendation letters prepared by individuals other than teachers, guidance counselors, academic advisors, or principals will not be accepted and the application will be disqualified.

PERSONAL LETTER OF REFERENCE

- Personal reference letters must be prepared by individuals who are in the position to provide an informed evaluation of applicant's leadership skills/abilities. Individuals such as priests, current or previous employers, or directors of community organizations would be appropriate.
- Recommendation letter must be submitted on official stationery in direct reference to the Hellenic University Club of NY.
- Letter must be scanned and emailed as a PDF file by the recommender directly to the Organization (hucnyc@gmail.com).
- Letter must be emailed no later than the deadline.
- Personal references prepared by relatives will not be accepted and the application will be disqualified.

FINAL TRANSCRIPTS

All official high school transcripts must be electronically sent (in PDF format) directly to the Organization (hucnyc@gmail.com) from the issuing academic institutions no later than the deadline.

STANDARDIZED EXAM SCORES

SAT and/or ACT Score reports are optional this year. If applicant decides to submit, scanned copies should be emailed to hucnyc@gmail.com in PDF format.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

An essay topic is found in section D of the application. The essay must be emailed with the completed application in PDF format. All submitted essays will be evaluated for artificial intelligence (AI) use. If there is reasonable suspicion that AI was used to craft the personal statement, the Organization reserves the right to disqualify the applicant from receiving the Award.

SUBMISSION AND APPLICATION DEADLINE

2026 Undergraduate Scholarship Applications and supporting documents must be submitted to the Organization via email (hucnyc@gmail.com) no later than **11:59 pm EDT, August 31, 2026**.

Individuals or institutions emailing documents to the Organization in support of Applicant should insert Applicant's name in the subject line of the email message.

Failure to submit the application and required documentation by deadline will disqualify the application.

A checklist is available to help you organize your application.

AUTHORIZED USE OF SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

The monetary award received by the recipient shall be used solely to cover the cost of tuition fees, textbooks, or laptop for academic use. Proof of academic expenditure will be required (such as receipts).

The Hellenic University Club of New York may demand return of the scholarship award in the event the funds are not used for educational purposes, or the student discontinues his/her undergraduate studies at an accredited university in the U.S.

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