Connecticut State Colleges & Universities Foundation

Students First Scholarship

*Inaugural Year in Honor of (Retired) President Mark E. Ojakian*

2021 Application

**Eligibility requirements:**

◊ Final semester at one of the CT Community Colleges or
◊ Graduate of the CT Community College system within the past 12 months prior to application
◊ Open to all majors including general studies
◊ GPA 2.5 or higher
◊ Requires application to one of the four CT State Universities (CCSU, ECSU, SCSU, WCSU) or Charter Oak State College (see page 2)
◊ Resident of the State of Connecticut at time of application and at time of award

**Documentation requirements:**

1. A completed application, pages 1, 2 & 3 in their entirety.
2. An official college transcript from a CT Community College presenting a GPA of 2.50 or higher **and**
3. A personal essay (word document) created by the student applicant expressing what “Students First” **means to you while in college.**
4. The essay shall include which CT State University or Charter Oak State College the student will attend.

The CSCU Foundation will select up to three recipients at $2,020.00 each for the 2021-2022 academic year.

All materials shall be sent by **11:59 p.m. on Friday, March 12, 2021** to StudentsFirstAward@gmail.com

Application questions should be directed to President of the CSCU Foundation, Helen G. Sneed via email at StudentsFirstAward@gmail.com.

I, _____________________________[name of student], authorize and understand that as a scholarship recipient my name and image may be used to promote the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities Foundation scholarships as part of its marketing and publicity activities. I understand these activities may include, but are not limited to, digital media, news articles, announcements, websites, social media, and video. *(Pg3 challenges box content is excluded)*

By accepting a scholarship, I consent to having my likeness, voice, name, community, and profile in print or digitally, and to the use of photographs and recordings for promotional activities for the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities Foundation. *I may opt-out of these activities in writing by sending notice to StudentsFirstAward@gmail.com no later than 3/12/2021.*
Student’s Name: 

Student’s Signature: 

Community College: 

Identify which CT University you applied to:  

- [ ] CCSU  
- [ ] ECSU  
- [ ] SCSU  
- [ ] WCSU  
- [ ] Charter Oak  

Student Applicant Information  

Full name:  Address: 

Email Address:  Cell Phone: 

Major:  Minor:  GPA: 

Graduation Date: 

Education (List only CT Community College(s))  

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Awards Earned  

Please list all honors, awards, honor society memberships and special scholarships (Recognition and Year Earned).  

If none, enter N/A
Campus Activities
Please include the any Community College organizations or groups you were engaged in. If none, enter N/A.

Community Service
Include the name of the organization, any role you played in helping your community. If none, enter N/A.

Military Service (Branch/Rank/Dates)  If none, enter N/A.

Challenges you have overcome (This may include trauma, discrimination, episodes of near homelessness, etc.)

Specific information shared regarding “challenges you have overcome” will not be included in any marketing or publicity content without an individualized letter of consent.

Checklist
- [ ] Completed application
- [ ] Official transcript
- [ ] Students First Essay