



## **Mahamaya Girls' College Alumnae Association of North America 2020-2021 Undergraduate & Graduate Scholarship Application**

### **Instructions & Requirements**

1. Please read all instructions carefully before completing this application.
2. This scholarship is intended to provide cost of books and material for one *single* semester for MGCAANA members pursuing undergraduate or graduate studies in the United States and Canada.
3. One (1) scholarship of \$300 will be awarded this year.
4. A single student is eligible to receive *only* one award; the scholarship is *not* renewable.
5. Relatives of the Board of Directors and Officers of MGCAANA *are* eligible to apply, if they qualify otherwise. In such an instance, the particular Board Member or Officer will be asked not to participate in the scholarship selection process.
6. Prospective scholarship applicants will be notified through the MGCAANA website, e-mail, and the newsletter.
7. The scholarship will be awarded to a student demonstrating outstanding academic achievements, leadership ability, participation in extracurricular activities, and a significant level of financial need.
8. Students should have, at least, 12 semester credits and maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of **3.0**. A minimum cumulative GPA of **2.5** will be considered only in special circumstances (required to answer Part 5: Personal Statement – Section f.).
9. All scholarship applicants are required to send the following supporting documentation:
  - a. Completed application form
  - b. Unofficial copies of ALL college transcripts.
  - c. Incoming high school students are required to include *copies* of their high school transcript(s) – G.C.E. Ordinary Level and Advanced Level Examination Certificates (if applicable).
  - d. A personal statement (*please refer to page 4 of this application for further instructions*).
10. Students must read and complete the Financial Need section of this scholarship application.
11. APPLICATION PERIOD AND DEADLINE:  
**September 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020**  
(Applications e-mailed after the deadline will **not** be accepted.)
12. The scholarship winner will be notified by **January 31, 2021** via email.
13. Send the completed scholarship application and **all** required supporting documentation together in **one** e-mail to **mahamaya\_alumnae@yahoo.com**.
14. If you have any questions about the application procedure, please contact the Scholarship Selection Committee at **mahamaya\_alumnae@yahoo.com**. We will assist you in any way that we can to make this process as easy as possible for you.

**APPLICATION FORM**

*\*Please type or print clearly. Attach an additional sheet if more space is needed.*

**Part 1: Student Information**

**Full Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Academic Status (Select One)**  
 Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior/Graduate Student

**Part 2: Academic History**

List all schools and colleges attended and currently attending.

School	Location	Dates Attended	Field of Study	Graduation Date, G.C.E. O/L and/or A/L Results, Degree
Mahamaya Girls' College	Kandy, Sri Lanka			

### Part 3: Extracurricular Information

List and describe briefly the most significant honors and awards you have received, extracurricular activities you have participated in, volunteer work you have performed, and any paid employment you have had.

#### A. HONORS AND AWARDS

Honor or Award	Description of Honor or Award	Date Received <i>mm/yy</i>

#### B. EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Activity	Description of Activity <i>(Note any leadership positions)</i>	Hours per Week	Dates <i>mm/yy to mm/yy</i>

#### C. VOLUNTEER WORK AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Organization	Description of Service or Work <i>(Note any leadership positions)</i>	Hours per Week	Dates <i>mm/yr to mm/yr</i>

**D. EMPLOYMENT**

Position	Employer	Responsibilities	Hours per Week	Dates <i>mm/yy to mm/yy</i>

**Part 4: Financial Need**

Please list all educational aid you will receive for the 2020-2021 academic year.

Financial need-based scholarships	%
Academic scholarships	%
Student loan	%
Other loan	%
Family contributions	%
Employer paid educational benefits	%
Other _____ <i>Specify</i>	%
	<b>100%</b>

**Part 5: Personal Statement**

This statement is one of the most important selection criteria and is considered equivalent to an interview. Write a statement of 500 to 750 words below in which you address the following topics.

- Declared major / field of graduate study
- Educational goals
- Career Goals
- In what way will this scholarship assist you? Describe the extent to which you need financial support
- Is there anything you would like us to know about you that you have not had the opportunity to describe elsewhere in this application (i.e. extraordinary family obligations, any obstacles or challenges you have overcome)?

## Part 6: References

Please provide a name of one (1) professor in your undergraduate or graduate program who can attest to the applicant's deservingness of the scholarship. The Selection Committee may reach out to references of selected candidates to confirm that the most deserving receive the scholarships. It is your responsibility to let your professor know in advance that the Selection Committee may contact them.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Relationship to applicant:** Advisor, Professor, Supervisor, (other – specify: \_\_\_\_\_)

**University e-mail address:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Part 7: Certification

- All the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.
- I hereby give MGCAANA permission to share this information for the purpose of this scholarship.
- I hereby acknowledge that it is my responsibility to keep MGCAANA informed of any address change.
- I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to submit a complete application package to MGCAANA and comply with all deadlines. Incomplete or late application materials will result in ineligibility.
- I hereby certify that I have read the application directions and requirements and I understand and accept all conditions specified.
- Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted.
- Failure to sign this certification will result in my application not being considered.
- All application materials become the property of MGCAANA.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Application Checklist

*(Do not send this with your application; this is provided for your information only)*

### HAVE YOU...

- Read the scholarship application directions and requirements, which provide important information for completing the application form?
- Provided all required supporting documentation?
  - Unofficial copies of ALL college transcripts
  - High school transcripts (incoming high school students *only*)
  - One reference (a professor and his/her university e-mail address)
  - Personal statement
- Signed the application form?

### YOU SHOULD...

- Keep copies of your application and all supporting documentation.
- Send your completed application package in one e-mail to:

**mahamaya\_alumnae@yahoo.com**

*\*All application information is for selection purposes only and will be strictly confidential.*