



Dear Applicant:

The Golden Gate Section of the Society of Women Engineers (SWE-GGS) is pleased to announce its 2017 High School Scholarship Program!

The GGS section has one of the top five scholarship programs as ranked against other SWE sections across the nation. Each year we award more than \$18,000 to local young Bay Area women graduating from high school and pursuing degrees in engineering or computer science. In 2016, the GGS Section awarded 8 scholarships with support from members and local companies including Oracle, Chevron, MWH Global, The Salinas Family, Vicki Solomon, and Lisa Duncan.

Scholarship applications, including support material, must be postmarked no later than Friday, March 24, 2017. Applications will be judged by a committee of engineers from the Golden Gate Section who represent different fields of engineering. Applications will be evaluated based on academic achievement, references, extracurricular activities, and a personal essay. Quality of the application and student financial needs will also be considered. Please be sure to use the enclosed form as our applications may be revised from previous years. Additional copies may be obtained from the Section website or can be reproduced at your school. Recipients of SWE-GGS Scholarships will be notified in late April and will receive their awards at our annual scholarship banquet in May 2017.

Please note that we will no longer be awarding scholarships to those who plan to major in math or hard sciences. Applicants must intend to major in an engineering or computer science discipline.

If you have questions about the scholarship program, please contact me at 917-940-0479 or g.oconnell@berkeley.edu. For information about SWE scholarships at the Society level, visit <http://ggs.swe.org/scholarship.html>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. O'Connell". The signature is fluid and cursive.

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University of California, Berkeley
Golden Gate Section Scholarship Chair

Attachments—Scholarship Application (2 pages)



SOCIETY OF WOMEN ENGINEERS
 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
 GOLDEN GATE SECTION

PERSONAL DATA			
Address:			
City, State, Zip:			
Phone:			
Email:			
EDUCATION			
High School Name:			
Address:			
City, State, Zip:			
GPA (weighted):	(average/maximum possible)	/	
GPA (unweighted):	(average/maximum possible)	/	
Accredited College or University planning to attend (and the city in which it is located):			
Intended major:			
FINANCIAL INFORMATION			
The SWE-GGS Scholarship is not need-based, but financial need is considered in the evaluation. Applicant should complete the tables below if financial need is to be taken into consideration.			
Anticipated Expenses for the Coming Year:		Sources of Income for the Year:	
Tuition	\$	Employment	\$
Room and Board	\$	Work Study/Financial Aid	\$
Books and Supplies	\$	Scholarships	\$
Other _____	\$	Parents' Contribution	\$
_____	\$	Other _____	\$
TOTAL	\$	TOTAL	\$

ACTIVITIES (SCHOOL, COMMUNITY AND OTHER EXTRACURRICULAR)			
Provide a summary of all extracurricular activities. Include both technical (math club, science fairs, etc.), non-technical (music, sports, etc.), and dates of participation. Where applicable, indicate any leadership positions held and/or awards received.			
WORK EXPERIENCE			
Provide a brief resume of paid or volunteer work experience. Include a short description of your duties, starting and ending dates, and other pertinent information.			
ESSAY			
Provide a brief essay, no more than one page, discussing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why you would like to be an engineer or related professional • What your goals are as an engineer or related professional • Why you deserve a scholarship 			
REFERENCES			
Provide two letters of reference, preferably from high school teachers and/or persons who have personally known the applicant for two or more years and who are not members or relatives of the applicant's family.			
	Name	Phone	Relationship (teacher, employer, etc.)
Reference 1			
Reference 2			
TRANSCRIPTS			
Include an official copy of the applicant's high school transcript(s) showing grades for the entire enrollment in all high schools attended.			
APPLICATION CHECKLIST AND MAILING/CONTACT INFORMATION			
A complete application should include the items below. Remember neatness counts! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed Form (signed and dated) • Activities summary • Work Experience Summary • Essay • Reference Letters (2) • Transcript(s) 		Include all the application materials in ONE ENVELOPE and send to: <p>Society of Women Engineers – Golden Gate Section Scholarship Committee 2625 Alcatraz Avenue, PMB 356 Berkeley, CA 94705</p> <p>For additional info call/email: Grace O'Connell at 917-940-0479 or g.oconnell@berkeley.edu</p>	
DEADLINE AND ELIGIBILITY			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • APPLICATION MUST BE POSTMARKED BY FRIDAY March 24, 2017 • To be eligible, applicants must be female graduating high school seniors entering a four-year bachelor's degree program in engineering or computer science in the 2017-2018 academic year. Applicants <i>must</i> reside or attend high school within the Golden Gate Section (San Francisco, Marin, Sonoma, Napa and Lake counties, and portions of San Mateo, Alameda and Contra Costa counties) – please visit the SWE Golden Gate Section website to confirm applicable zip codes: http://ggs.swe.org/scholarship.html. 			
SIGNATURE			
I BELIEVE ALL OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION TO BE TRUE. I HEREBY APPLY FOR A SOCIETY OF WOMEN ENGINEERS – GOLDEN GATE SECTION SCHOLARSHIP.			
Signature of Applicant		Date	