



1ST Gateway Credit Union 2025 Scholarship Application Deadline: February 14, 2025

Thank you for your interest in 1ST Gateway Credit Union's 2025 Scholarships.

Scholarship Information

1st Gateway Credit Union takes pride in supporting the educational goals of our members and their families. In 2025, we will award eight \$2,500 scholarships to credit union members.

Who is eligible?

- Applicant must be a primary member (first person named on account) of 1st Gateway Credit Union for at least six months prior to application deadline. Accounts must be in good standing.
- Applicants must be high school seniors or GED holders planning to enroll as full-time students at an accredited college, university, or career/technical training program for the upcoming academic year. Returning students or those pursuing their education later in life are also eligible to apply, provided they plan to be enrolled full-time (12+ credits per semester) at an accredited institution. Previous scholarship winners are encouraged to reapply as long as they meet the eligibility requirements.

Examples:

1. Traditional (high school students who will be attending first year of college or career/technical school)
2. Non-Traditional (those currently attending college or career/technical school, returning to school, or in graduate school)

What is the application time frame?

- Applications are due by Friday, February 14th, 2025
- Recipients will be recognized at 1st Gateway's Annual Meeting on March 8th, 2025

Application Instructions

Application and essay must be received together. Official school transcripts can be received separately. We suggest contacting your school to determine how they send transcripts. Often times they are backlogged due to several requests so we suggest contacting them early so they can be mailed by the application deadline.

- Application and Essay: Complete the attached application and essay question. Please type or print legibly in ink.
- Transcripts: Obtain a copy of your most recent official school transcripts (no photocopies)

All materials, including transcript(s), can be dropped off at any of our seven locations, submitted online, emailed to scholarships@1stgateway.org, or addressed to:

1st Gateway Credit Union
ATTN: 2025 Scholarship Committee
PO Box 110
Camanche, IA 52730

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Please Check One:

Traditional (high school students who will be attending first year of post-secondary)

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Scholarship Applicant Information

Name (First, Middle Initial, Last):		
Street Address:		Apt. #:
City, State, Zip:		
Phone Number:	Secondary Phone Number:	
Email Address:		
Preferred Method of Communication:	Email	Phone Call
		Mail

High School Information (For high school seniors only)

School Name:
City, State:

College or Career/Technical School Information

Name of school you plan to attend/are currently attending:
Major/Minor/Trade:

Awards and Recognitions - please continue on a separate page if needed

School/Organization	Academic Honors, Awards, or Other Major Accomplishments/Recognitions

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Extracurricular/Volunteer Activities - Please include a brief description of activity, duties & time commitment

You may continue on a separate page if needed

Scholarship Essay

In 300 to 500 words, please address the question below into the content of your essay. Please type or print your response on a separate page that includes your full name.

Describe your involvement in community or extracurricular activities and explain how these experiences have made a positive impact on your community. What have you learned from these activities, and how do they reflect your personal values and future goals?

1st Gateway Credit Union shall actively promote equal opportunity policies and practices conforming to federal and state laws against discrimination, and shall not discriminate in offering scholarship consideration on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, marital status, sexual orientation or veteran status.

REMINDER: Please submit the following information on time. Application and essay must be received together and are essential for consideration of your application. Transcripts may arrive separately. Failure to submit any of these pieces of information or incomplete submissions will result in disqualification of your application. The postmark deadline is February 14th, 2025.

1. Completed application
2. Official academic transcripts

Verification Statement:

I certify that all information provided on this application and all supporting documents are accurate and complete. I understand that any misleading or false information will result in my application being disqualified. If selected as a scholarship winner, I give full consent for the use of my name to be used for promotional and publicity purposes. I understand that the decision of 1st Gateway Credit Union's Scholarship Committee is final.

Applicant Name

Date