



SCHOLASTIC CONNECTIONS

Scholastic Connections Application

Deadline: March 1

Scholastic Connections is a scholarship and mentorship program for high-achieving undergraduate students of color (American Indian, Hispanic/Latino, Pan-Afrikan and Pan Asian) at Augsburg College. It is designed to help students succeed at Augsburg and beyond. Admission to the program happens through an application and interview process. A selection committee reviews applications and selects the winners.

Each year five new recipients are selected. Recipients receive a \$5,000 scholarship for the academic year and are paired with a mentor who is a successful alumnus of color. Program participation may be renewed for succeeding years provided the scholar meets the eligibility requirements as detailed on the SC Accountability Standards document.

Eligibility Criteria

- Applicants must have completed at least one semester at Augsburg College prior to starting the program, or be advanced-standing transfer students.
- Applicants must have demonstrated financial need as determined by the Augsburg financial aid office
- Applicants must have demonstrated involvement in community activities on or off campus
- Applicants must have demonstrated leadership abilities or potential
- Applicants must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0

Application Process

This is a highly competitive process – many students are applying for a select few positions. Applications should reflect this. Answers to each question should be comprehensive and thorough. Applicants will want to paint as clear a picture of themselves as possible. Applications should be between 2-7 pages in length. Résumés are not required.

Applicants must complete and submit the following:

- Scholastic Connections Application (due March 1)
- One letter of recommendation from someone other than a family member (due March 1)
- A completed financial aid file (due March 1) in the Enrollment Center.
- An application interview with Cindy Peterson (completion deadline March 15)

Selection Process

A selection committee will meet at the end of March to select recipients.

All applicants will be notified of the status of their application by early April. If you have questions or would like additional information please contact Cindy Peterson, director, Scholastic Connections at 612-330-1754 or at petersoc@augsborg.edu.



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Application Form

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Applicant Information

Name: _____ Student ID: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Major: _____

E-mail: _____ Campus Box: _____

Career Goal: _____ GPA: _____

Student Status: Sophomore ____ Junior ____ Senior ____ Faculty Advisor: _____

In order for the application to be complete, the following are required:

- ____ A completed financial aid file in the Enrollment Center (Due March 1)
(Does not pertain to international students)
- ____ One letter of recommendation from someone other than a family member (March 1)
- ____ Application interview with Cindy Peterson, director, Scholastic Connections (Due March 15)

Completed applications should be returned to Cindy Peterson, director, Scholastic Connections at Campus Box 189. If you have questions please contact Cindy at 612-330-1754 or petersoc@augsborg.edu.

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Please answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper.

1. As an emerging leader or role model in your own ethnic community, how have you exercised leadership on campus or in the outside community?
2. How have you been involved in community service, either on and off campus? How do you see yourself contributing in the future?
3. What types of co-curricular activities are you involved with on campus? Off campus?
4. Are you connected to or involved with your respective Ethnic Student Services program? If so, in what capacity?
5. A key component of the Scholastic Connections program is being connected to and working with an alumni mentor. What would you find most helpful in a mentor? What skills do you have that will assist you in benefiting from a mentor?
6. Aside from working with a mentor, how can Scholastic Connections benefit you? What do you hope to gain from the program?
7. What else would you like the Selection Committee to know about you?