



Criteria for Angeline Gale Scholarship 2011

Age Requirement: Since the intention of the award is to help an older woman attain a college degree, the minimum age is 28. This does not imply that the older the woman the better qualified for the award.

Undergraduate Degree Program: Students enrolled part-time or full-time in a bachelor's degree program at an accredited institution will be considered. Those completing an associates degree will also be considered.

Graduation Timeline: Candidate must graduate by December 2012.

Academic Scholarship: Since the Angeline Gale award is a scholarship and not a grant, the required cumulative G.P.A. is a 3.0. Applicants who have a higher G.P.A. will be considered the more qualified candidates. Official transcripts are required.

Financial Considerations: Since the award is intended to help a woman monetarily in her last year before graduation, the financial need of the applicant will be considered. This does not mean that financial need will take precedence over scholarship. Those receiving financial aid and those without funding will be considered equally.

Residency Considerations: The scholarship is available to those who reside in or attend school in the greater Chicago and suburban area. Special consideration will be given to those who attend school in or reside in Du Page County or nearby counties. We will consider applicants from as far west as DeKalb, IL.

Quality of Written Personal Statement: Applicants who demonstrate clear use of language and share detailed academic and life goals will be considered stronger applicants. Care and diligence in written expression should be evident. Explanations of financial need should be evident as well.

Quality of Interview: Applicants who give detailed, articulate responses to questions will be considered stronger candidates. Applicants who express/emphasize the need for gender equality and higher education for women will be considered stronger candidates. Applicants who feel comfortable allowing the Naperville branch of the AAUW to follow up on the recipient after awarding the scholarship will be considered the stronger applicant.

Future Goals: This is a highly subjective area since one's career goals are individual and not subject to judgment. However, in the spirit of the Angeline Gale Memorial scholarship, we will consider how the applicant intends to give back to her community, society, or aid in the educational opportunities of women. (Optional criteria)