

Helen and L.S. Wong Memorial Scholarship

PLEASE NOTE: This scholarship is *not* the same award offered through Assist-A-Grad. Please fill out separate applications.

**Postmark Deadline: Friday, February 19, 2016**

**Eligibility Criteria:**

* Resident of or graduating high school senior from a high school in Fairfield or Suisun City, CA
* Incoming freshman enrolled full-time at an accredited four year-college/university or community college (with strong commitment to transfer to a four-year institution) in 2016-17
* Ethnic heritage: Asian heritage (at least 50%)
* Minimum 2.8 GPA
* Financial need
* U.S. citizen or permanent resident

**Background Information:**

* Number of awards: 1 - 4
* Amount: $1,000-3,000
* Renewable? Yes, for $500-1,000
* Total award: $2,500-6,000

**Selection Criteria:**

* Academic achievement
* Personal and career focus
* Personal strengths, including maturity, motivation and potential to succeed

**Application Checklist:** Applicants are responsible for submitting all materials to the Asian Pacific Fund by the deadline. Incomplete applications will not be evaluated. This application becomes complete and valid only when the Asian Pacific Fund has received all of the following materials:

[ ]  Completed student application form

[ ]  Essays

[ ]  Most recent transcript(s) of grades (including grading scale); unofficial transcripts are OK

[ ]  Resume (include work experience, school activities, community service, honors & awards)

[ ]  Two letters of recommendation, at least one of which is from a current teacher

*Letters should be on official school or organization letterhead. Please include the student’s first and last name.*

*Note:* 10 to 15 finalists will be chosen. Finalists must be available for a 30-minute interview in late April in Fairfield or Suisun (dates TBD). If chosen for interview, finalists must submit official transcript(s) of grades, SAT/ACT score reports and FAFSA student aid report.

Completed application form with supplemental materials must be postmarked by **Friday, February 19, 2016**. Please send to:

**Helen and L.S. Wong Memorial Scholarship**

**Asian Pacific Fund**

**465 California Street, Suite 809**

**San Francisco, CA 94104**

Questions? Check our [Frequently Asked Questions](http://asianpacificfund.org/frequently-asked-questions) page or e-mail scholarship@asianpacificfund.org.

**Scholarship Application**

To apply, please complete the following application form. Please type or print legibly.

**Contact and Household Information**

**Personal Information**

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| --- | --- | --- |
| First name:       | Middle name/initial:       | Last name:      |
| Home phone: (     )       -       | Cell phone: (     )       -       | Date of birth:      /     /      |
| Email address:        | Gender:  [ ]  Female [ ]  Male |
| **Ethnic Heritage of…***(not names)* |
| Mother:      | Maternal Grandmother:      | Maternal Grandfather:       |
| Father:      | Paternal Grandmother:       | Paternal Grandfather:       |

**Permanent Residence**

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| Address (Number & Street):       | Apartment/Suite:       |
| City:       | State:      | Zip Code:       | County (*not* Country):       |

**Mailing Address** *(if different from above)*

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| Address (Number & Street):       | Apartment/Suite:       |
| City:       | State:        | Zip/Postal Code:       |

**Parent or Guardian Information**

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| --- | --- | --- |
| First name:      | Middle name/initial:      | Last name:      |
| Relation to applicant:       | Telephone:(     )      -      | Email address:      |
| Address (if different from above):      |

**Publicity**

How did you hear about this program? (please check all that apply)

[ ]  College/Career Counselor [ ] Teacher [ ]  Family/Family Friend

[ ]  Internet (please specify):       [ ]  Other (please specify):

**Citizenship Status**

Are you a citizen or permanent resident of the United States? [ ]  Yes [ ]  No

First & last name:

**Financial Information**

**Parents’ Financial Data** (to be completed if student is still in parents’ household or claimed as a dependent. Use data based on most recently filed tax form or “Your Parents’ Information” on most recent FAFSA form)

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Adjusted Gross Income: (Form 1040 – line 37) |       | Total Cash, Checking, Savings & Cash Value of Stocks: (*exclude* retirement plan funds, IRA, 401K) |       |
| Total Income of Father: |       | Occupation of Father: |       |
| Total Income of Mother: |       | Occupation of Mother: |       |
| Marital Status of Parent(s)/Guardian(s): | [ ]  Married [ ]  Divorced [ ]  Separated [ ]  Widowed [ ]  Single |
| Amount of additional income:       | Source(s): | [ ]  Child Support [ ]  Social Security[ ]  TANF [ ] Other:       |
| Special Financial Circumstances: |       |

**Student’s Financial Data** (to be completed if the student is employed part- or full-time)

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| Adjusted Gross Income: (Form 1030 – line 37) |       | Total Cash, Checking, Savings & Cash Value of Stocks: (exclude retirement plan funds, IRA, 401K) |       |
| Total Income:       | Occupation:       | Average hours worked per week:       |

**Household Information:** Some programs have a maximum household income requirement. Please see eligibility criteria for maximum household income to be considered for the scholarship.

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| Please provide your Estimated Family Contribution (EFC): *The EFC is located on the top-right of page 1 of the FAFSA Student Aid Report. If you are ineligible to apply for FAFSA, write "Not Applicable" in this field. If you have not completed your FAFSA, use the* [*FAFSA4Caster*](https://fafsa.ed.gov/FAFSA/app/f4cForm?execution=e1s1) *to estimate your EFC.* |       |
| Number of people in household supported by reported income:       |
| Number of household members attending college in 2016-17:       |

**Other Awards:** List the name and annual amount of any grants/scholarships you have been awarded for 2016-17:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Name of Award: | School to which award will be applied: | Amount: | Status: |
|       |       | $      | [ ]  Granted [ ]  Pending |
|       |       | $      | [ ]  Granted [ ]  Pending |
|       |       | $      | [ ]  Granted [ ]  Pending |

First & last name:

**Academic and Career Information**

**Academic Information**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| High School: |       | City: |       |
| Weighted GPA: |       | Unweighted GPA (4.0 scale): |       |
| Expected High School Graduation Date: Month       / Year       |

**Test Scores:** Please write “N/A” if you have not taken the tests below.

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| SAT Mathematics:       | SAT Critical Reading:       | SAT Writing:       |
| SAT Subject Tests (if taken): | Subject:       | Score:      | Subject:      | Score:      |
|  | Subject:       | Score:      | Subject:       | Score:      |
| ACT Composite:       English:       Mathematics:       Reading:       Science:       |

**College/University Information**

Status of College Decisions:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | School | City, State | Acceptance Status |
|  |  |  | Accepted | On waitlist | Awaiting reply |
| 1st Choice |       |       | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 2nd Choice |       |       | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 3rd Choice |       |       | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |

Other College Information:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Intended major:        | Expected College Graduation Date: Month       / Year       |
| Housing plans for 2016-17: [ ]  Commute from home [ ]  Live on campus [ ]  Live off campus |
| If attending a public college/university, will you be paying in-state tuition? [ ]  Yes [ ]  No |

**Essay Questions**

*Please respond to each of the short essay questions below on a separate sheet of paper. Your essays should be in 12-point font and single-spaced. At the top of the page, include your name and the name of the scholarship program. After each essay, please include the word count.*

1. Tell us about yourself, including your academic and career goals, hopes and dreams for the future and the role/influence of your Asian heritage. Recommended length: 250-500 words
2. Describe your proudest moment and the greatest challenge you have faced, either personally or academically. What did you learn from these experiences? Recommended length: 150-200 words
3. Describe a project, experience or person related to your academic and/or career goals that inspired you. What impact did it have on you? Recommended length: 150-200 words
4. *Optional:* Is there anything else you would like us to know, including any unusual family or personal circumstances that have affected your achievement in school, work experience or your participation in school activities?