

ALABAMA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND, INC.

The Alabama Library Association established the Scholarship Fund, Inc. to reach the goal of having more trained librarians in Alabama. The purposes of the Alabama Library Association Scholarship Fund, Inc. are:

- ◇ To provide scholarships to deserving and promising Alabama students who wish to pursue a grade degree accredited by the American Library Association or by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.
- ◇ To provide a vehicle whereby members of the Association and friends of the Association who are interested in the objectives of the Fund can make contributions toward providing such aid.

Recipients will be selected by the Board of Trustees and the Board of Directors of the Alabama Library Association Scholarship Fund, Inc. in July of each year on the basis of academic achievement, potential service to the library profession, and financial need.

All application materials are due by **June 1**.

For more information and an application or to make contributions, contact:

President, Alabama Library Association Scholarship Fund, Inc.

6030 Monticello Drive

Montgomery, AL 36117

334-414-0113

Email: allibraryassoc@gmail.com

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APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

DESCRIPTION AND GUIDELINES

One of the major goals of the Alabama Library Association is to have a greater number of professionally educated librarians in Alabama. To help make this possible, the Association provides scholarships to those residents of Alabama who wish to enter library school but need financial assistance.

The Board of Directors will select the recipients on the basis of the applicant's attitude toward library service, undergraduate record, and financial need in accordance with the requirements outlined for each loan or scholarship. The maximum amount of scholarship requests is \$1,000. Scholarship recipients are asked to sign and return a stipulation letter stating that the terms of the scholarship are understood. Along with the stipulation letter, recipients must submit a copy of a valid Alabama driver's license and social security card.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTIONS

Alabama Library Association Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was originally established in 1991 in honor of *Moselle Cummings*. The \$1000 scholarship is awarded to a full time/part time student of the School of Library and Information Studies at the University of Alabama.

Centennial Scholarship

Alabama Library Association Centennial Memorial Scholarship was established in 2004 in honor of the 100th anniversary of the association. The scholarship is awarded annually and is available to residents of Alabama pursuing library and information studies or classes in school library media. The scholarship will be a minimum amount of \$500 with additional money available up to \$1000 based on contributions to the Scholarship Fund each year.

***Additional named or unnamed scholarship programs may be established or offered at the discretion of the Board.**

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APPLICANT INSTRUCTIONS

Pages 1-2 of this form must be returned by the applicant to the address below. A cover letter outlining personal background, interests, community activities, and present plans for a career in the library field is also required. Copies of pages 3-5 must be provided to three references. A personal letter of recommendation in addition to this form may be submitted but is not required. Scholarships are traditionally awarded in July or August of each year, but may be offered at other times in the school year. **Applications remain in the active file for one year.** Before your application can be considered, the Alabama Library Association Scholarship Fund, Inc. must receive the following:

- Application form, completely filled out, signed, and dated.
- A certified final transcript from the institution that awarded your undergraduate degree.
- A certified transcript of any graduate work you may have undertaken.
- A certified transcript of your test scores on the GRE or MAT.
- Proof of acceptance at an ALA-accredited library school.
- Recommendation forms from the three references listed on page 3.

All forms submitted will be kept confidential.

All items must be mailed to: **President,
ALLA Scholarship Fund, Inc. Alabama
Library Association
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APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Applicant's Name _____

Please mark as many items as you wish. Refer to the information sheet to determine for which scholarships you are eligible. Fill out the forms on pages 1 and 2. Attach a cover letter outlining personal background, interests, community activities, and present plans for a career in the library field.

I am applying for:

- Alabama Library Association Memorial Scholarship
 Alabama Library Association Centennial Memorial Scholarship

Full Name _____

Present Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone Number (including area code) _____

Email Address _____

Permanent Address (*if different from above*) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Beginning date of term for which scholarship is to be used _____

Library school applied to or enrolled in _____

Anticipated date of graduation _____

Credit hours already earned toward degree _____

United States Citizen Yes No

Resident of Alabama Yes No

*(You **must** be a resident of Alabama to be eligible for scholarships.)*

List three references, including at least one librarian, who know your work and/or abilities. Give *name, occupation, address, and telephone number* for each.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Colleges or Universities attended (*use additional sheets if necessary*)

Name _____ of _____ School _____
City/State _____
Dates _____ Attended _____
Degree _____

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Dates _____ Attended _____
Degree _____

Work Experience (*List employer and positions held, most recent first. Please include all library experience. Use additional sheets if necessary.*)

Employer _____
Position _____ Held _____
Date of Employment _____

Employer _____
Position _____ Held _____
Date of Employment _____

I certify that the information in this application is correct.

Signature

Date

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APPLICANT RECOMMENDATION FORM (IMPORTANT! Please follow these instructions carefully.)

Instructions: Make three (3) copies of pages 3-5. Please fill in (type) information marked with an asterisk (*). Give this form to three (3) references with a stamped envelope addressed to:

President, Alabama Library Association Scholarship Fund, Inc.
6030 Monticello Drive
Montgomery, AL 36117

*Applicant's Name _____

*Reference Name _____

*Reference Address _____

*City _____

*State _____ *Zip Code _____

*Reference Email Address _____

Notice to Individual Writing this Recommendation:

Unless the following waiver is signed by the applicant, this recommendation is *not* confidential.

*Waiver (to be signed by *APPLICANT*)

I hereby expressly waive my right to examine or otherwise have access to this recommendation. I understand that this recommendation will be used only in connection with my application for a scholarship from the Alabama Library Association Scholarship Fund, Inc.

Applicant's Signature

Date

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EVALUATION OF APPLICANT

* Applicant's Name

The applicant whose name appears above has applied for a scholarship from the Alabama Library Association Scholarship Fund, Inc. Please rate the applicant's intellectual ability, leadership potential, and judgment, using the specific characteristics below. We are particularly interested in your assessment of the applicant's suitability for a career as a professional librarian.

1. Specific characteristics:

	Excellent	Better than Average	Average	Below Average
Initiative				
Dependability				
Efficiency				
Human relations and social skills				
Cooperation with supervisors/students				
Cooperation with coworkers/students				

2. General statement regarding applicant:

Signature of Person Providing Recommendation

Date

Address

Name of Occupation or Business *(please print or type)*

Telephone