

Hope CommUnity Center & Seminole State College Scholarship Requirements

Hope CommUnity Center has a long-standing relationship with Seminole State College. In 2012, Seminole State College began supporting undocumented students by covering tuition costs for several DACA students from Hope CommUnity Center. This scholarship cohort was expanded in 2014, and again in 2016. DREAMER students selected to receive this scholarship represent the goals, potential, and persistence of Americans' next generation. Hope CommUnity Center welcomes students who want to study and embrace cultural diversity, spiritual growth, and the fight for social justice. Scholarship applicants may be invited to interview with a scholarship committee.

Eligibility:

- 2021 high school seniors or high school graduates ineligible to receive federal financial aid (due to immigration status)
- Minimum 2.5 GPA
- Financial need

Students who would like to be considered for a Hope CommUnity Center-Seminole State College scholarship must submit the following:

- Completed application form
- Copy of high school transcript (and copy of a transcript for any college courses already taken)
- Two (2) letters of recommendation from a teacher, tutor, or mentor (not a relative)
- Copy of 2019 income tax return of parents and student
- Résumé of all high school activities (community service, sports, music, work, etc.)
- Completed Hope CommUnity Center volunteer application
- An essay that responds to the question:

As we come close to experiencing a full year under a pandemic, we ask that you describe your growth and challenges in the following areas: personal life, education, career, and community service. Additionally, reflect on how this past year impacts where you see yourself in the next two years?

Essay guidelines: An excellent essay is written and portrays who you are, where you come from, and who you aspire to be. The scholarship committee will not be counting words but will be looking for an essay that tells a whole story.

Priority Application Deadline: July 2021

- Submit all documents to Sara Ruiz, Director of College & Career Access at Hope CommUnity Center, 1016 North Park Avenue, Apopka, FL 32712. 407-880-4673 ext. 229 sruiz@hcc-offm.org



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Name: _____
Last First

Pronouns: _____

Address: _____
Home number, street, Apartment # (if applicable)

_____, Florida _____
City Zip Code

Phone: _____
Cell Other

Email: _____

What is the best way to contact you? (circle one): Text Phone Email Other: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____
(mm/dd/yyyy)

I have DACA status or am eligible for DACA: Yes No

I have attended some college already: Yes No

Intended Major or Area of Interest: _____

Will you attend school? (circle one):
Full Time (4+ classes/semester) **OR** Part Time (3 or less classes/semester)

Which Seminole State Campus do you expect to take most of your classes at? :

Sanford/Lake Mary Altamonte Springs Heathrow Oviedo

Do you work? (circle one) Yes No

If yes, where?: _____ If yes, how many hours per week? _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____