



UNITED MACEDONIAN DIASPORA
ОБЕДИНЕТА МАКЕДОНСКА ДИЈАСПОРА

UMD John L. N. Bitove, C.M. Macedonian Heritage Scholarship

The United Macedonian Diaspora (UMD) is pleased to announce its scholarship program to assist young Macedonians pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in Australia, Canada, Europe or the U.S..

Description:

UMD will award up to four scholarships annually, two in the amount of \$2,000 each and two in the amount of \$1,500 each for full-time undergraduate and graduate students at an accredited American, Australian, Canadian, or European college or university.

Eligibility:

Applicants must be undergraduate students of Macedonian heritage.

Criteria:

- Be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student in good standing at an accredited American, Australian, Canadian, or European university or college;
- Submit a completed application with all necessary documents (application, transcript, essay);
- Applicants or their parents **MUST** be members of UMD to be considered, please visit <http://www.umdiaspora.org> to join;
- UMD will accept applications from students in their last year of high school; however, they **MUST** be admitted into a university or college and must submit a proof of copy of their acceptance letter and proof of enrollment.

Essay:

UMD requests an essay, no more than 1,000 words one of the following topics:

- As a young individual, please tell us what your Macedonian heritage means to you in the context of wider society. How have your ethnic cultural values been affected by the society in which you live?
- What role have your parents, grandparents, or other family members played in making you the person you are today?

Please Note:

The essays of the scholarship recipients will be published in UMD publications.

Selection:

Candidates must present documentation to UMD verifying the eligibility criteria. The selection will be based on merit.

How to Apply

Please read the following instructions carefully. Submit the following items no later than 30 days prior to the beginning of the fall term, August 1 or spring term, December 1. When applying, you must indicate the start date of the term for which you are applying.

1. COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM
2. OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT
3. LIST OF EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND/OR AWARDS
4. ESSAY
5. CV/RESUME

Upon acceptance of application, a UMD Scholarship Selection Committee will evaluate the applications and will determine the best candidate to receive the scholarship. UMD will mail a check directly to the college or university.

Please note that United Macedonian Diaspora is not responsible for placing students at accredited universities, finding housing, internships or securing other forms of financing.

Completed application should be e-mailed in PDF format to students@umdiaspora.org and hard copies mailed to:

United Macedonian Diaspora
1510 H Street, NW, Suite 900
Washington, D.C. 20005

For more information, please call (202) 350-9798 or e-mail students@umdiaspora.org

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Application Form**

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NAME (last, first, middle) _____

CURRENT ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

PERMANENT ADDRESS _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ / _____ / _____ M _____ F _____

COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP _____

EDUCATION

Name of Institution _____

Major _____ GPA _____

Expected Date of Graduation _____

MACEDONIAN HERITAGE THROUGH: __MOTHER __FATHER __BOTH

WHERE IN MACEDONIA IS YOUR HERITAGE FROM? _____

UMD MEMBER: (YES) (NO) PARENTS: (YES) (NO)

Acknowledgment, Agreement and Signature

I hereby certify, acknowledge and agree as follows:

1. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information I have provided in this application and my supporting documents are true and correct.
2. I have not knowingly withheld any facts or circumstances that could mislead the United Macedonian Diaspora.
3. By submitting this application, I am giving my approval for the United Macedonian Diaspora to verify all information I have provided to United Macedonian Diaspora and, when requested, I will fully cooperate with UMD in this endeavor.
4. I understand it is my responsibility to ensure that my application and all supporting documents are (i) clearly marked with my name (ii) submitted to United Macedonian Diaspora.
5. I understand and agree that (i) the scholarship decision is solely made by United Macedonian Diaspora at its absolute discretion, (ii) such decision shall be deemed final, and (iii) such decision shall not be subject to further review, reconsideration, challenge or appeal.
6. I agree to actively participate in sharing my collegiate experience with the United Macedonian Diaspora community via blogs, conference, UMD Voice, and forum participation.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____