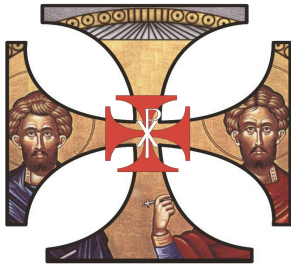


PHILOPTOCHOS



# Peter Manasses Memorial Scholarship Graduate Studies Application

The Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society of St. Spyridon of Palos Heights is offering a scholarship for two students who are completing graduate coursework. Applicants must be currently attending an accredited college, university or vocational program. This is a competitive scholarship based on need and merit with the award winner(s) to be selected upon recommendation by the Scholarship Committee. Students who have been awarded the scholarship in the **past two years** are not eligible to reapply. **Application and ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION MUST BE EMAILED by June 15, 2024 to [englishteacher30@yahoo.com](mailto:englishteacher30@yahoo.com)**

## Requirements:

- Current Graduate students are eligible to apply.
- Applicant must be a son/daughter of a steward of St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Church.
- A copy of **last semester's college transcript** with the school's official seal.
- **Two letters of recommendation** (may be from a professor, employer, internship/research adviser, volunteer groups)
- A resume that includes your **career objective, college activities, community activities, service,** and any **special honors or achievements** you have received while attending undergraduate or graduate school.
- Submit the following **essay** along with the application and all required documentation. The essay should be double spaced and at least 500 words and no more than 700 words in length.

**Prompt:** Discuss your involvement with Philoptochos or similar philanthropic groups and the lessons you've learned about charity and community service. How has this involvement emphasized the value of education in understanding and solving community issues? (500-800 words)

The St. Spyridon Philoptochos reserves the right to award more than one scholarship in the same academic year, based on required qualifications, grades, and service projects of the applicant.

## Student Information

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Major Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a full time student? \_\_\_\_\_ Hours of Coursework completed this year: \_\_\_\_\_

## Professional Commitments

Check all that apply:

Employment \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_ Hours per week? \_\_\_\_\_

Internship \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_ Hours per week? \_\_\_\_\_

Research \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_ Hours per week? \_\_\_\_\_

**Certification** I understand that this **application is complete**. I have included a transcript with an official school seal stamped and in a sealed envelope sent directly from the school.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

All applications must be emailed no later than **June 15, 2024**. Incomplete applications or those postmarked after this date will not be processed. All information received from applicants will be treated as confidential. **Scholarship winners will be notified by June 24. This year's scholarships will be presented on Sunday, June 30th.** Mail completed application & materials to: ST. SPYRIDON PHILOPTOCHOS SCHOLARSHIP, 12307 SOUTH RIDGELAND AVENUE, PALOS HEIGHTS, IL 60463 or email to [englishteacher30@yahoo.com](mailto:englishteacher30@yahoo.com)

## Your Checklist:

\_\_\_\_ Current Official Grade Transcripts

\_\_\_\_ 2 Letters of Recommendation

\_\_\_\_ Completed Essay

\_\_\_\_ Resume (Career Objective, Activities, Service, Honors)



## Evaluation Rubric: Graduate Studies

	Exceptional (9-10 points)	Proficient (7-8 points)	Adequate (5-6 points)
<b>Academic Achievement</b>	The candidate demonstrates exceptional academic skills. GPA is 3.8 or higher	The candidate demonstrates adequate academic skills. GPA is 3.0-3.5	The candidate demonstrates some academic skills. GPA is lower than a 3.5
<b>Resume</b>	The resume reflects a clear career objective, a balance of college and community activities, and service. The candidate has earned special honors or achievements during undergraduate and graduate studies.	The resume reflects a career objective, a balance of college and community activities, and service. The candidate may have received special honors or achievements during undergraduate and graduate studies.	The resume may not include one or more of the following: a career objective, a balance of college and community activities, and service. The candidate may not have received special honors or achievements during undergraduate and graduate studies.
<b>Essay</b>	The essay thoroughly discusses the student's involvement in Philoptochos or similar groups, with clear and detailed examples of charitable activities and community service. The connection to the value of education in understanding and solving community issues is explicitly made and deeply analyzed.	The essay discusses the student's involvement in philanthropic groups with several examples of activities, but the link between these activities and the value of education could be clearer or more developed.	The essay mentions involvement in philanthropic activities, but examples are limited or vague. The discussion on the value of education in addressing community issues is minimal or superficial.
<b>Letters of Recommendation</b>	The recommendations provided by the candidate demonstrate a high familiarity with the quality of the student's work, excellent, highly detailed examples of student promise from personal experience, and several positive comments showing comprehensive praise for the student.	The recommendations provided by the candidate demonstrate clear familiarity with the quality of the student's work, several detailed examples of student promise from personal experience, and a few positive comments showing extensive praise for the student.	The recommendations provided by the candidate demonstrate some familiarity with the quality of the student's work, a few examples of student promise from personal experience, and minimal positive comments

