



Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.

BETA SIGMA ALUMNAE CHAPTER

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DELLA M BRYANT SCHOLARSHIP

December 3, 2025

To whom it may concern:

The Beta Sigma Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. will award scholarships to graduate students that exhibit exemplary academic achievement, strong leadership ability, and service to their community. The graduate student will receive a scholarship of up to \$1,000. The selected candidate will also be invited to our annual scholarship reception.

The Scholarship Committee would appreciate it if you would distribute the enclosed documents to qualifying graduates. Please feel free to include any documents that you deem necessary to complete the scholarship packet. **Applicants should know that any application received that does not meet the guidelines, that is incomplete, or received after 11:59 pm on February 3, 2026, will not be considered for the scholarship.**

For additional information, please feel free to contact the scholarship committee via email at betasigmascholarship2@gmail.com

Thank you, and the committee looks forward to meeting the candidates.

Sincerely,

Gloria Wright

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Scholarship Committee Chairperson

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority aims to enhance the quality of life within the community. Public service, leadership development, and education of youth are the hallmarks of the organization's programs and activities. Sigma Gamma Rho addresses concerns that impact society educationally, civically, and economically.

About Sigma

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. was organized on November 12, 1922, by seven young educators on Butler University's campus in Indianapolis, Indiana. The sorority is committed to the tenets of excellence in scholarship, sisterhood, and service. Sigma Gamma Rho has a proud legacy of providing positive and proactive community leadership and support when and wherever needed, as indicated by the sorority's international slogan, "Greater Service, Greater Progress."

Beta Sigma Chapter is the largest and oldest graduate chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. in the Montgomery area. Building upon the seven Founders' legacy and vision, the chapter supports the pursuit of higher education by offering scholarships to our community.

The Della M. Bryant Academic scholarship is named to assist students with obtaining a graduate's degree from an accredited university. A Della M. Bryant Academic Scholar will typically demonstrate the following: academic talent (20%); excellent writing skills and a desire to pursue a professional career (40%); and strong leadership ability through a balance of honors and awards (10%), extracurricular activities and community service (20%) and recommendations (10%).

Applications are for:

- A graduate student who currently attends an accredited university **OR** a member of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. and a member of Beta Sigma chapter
- Permanent resident of the Montgomery Metropolitan area, Autauga, Lowndes, and Elmore Counties
- A student who possesses a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher (unweighted)

Application Deadline:

Applications must be received **by 11:59 pm on February 3, 2026**. Incomplete applications, or any received **after February 3, 2026**, will not be considered.

Notification to Applicants and Scholarship Recipients....

Applicants who are selected to receive a scholarship will be notified via email. Upon notification, recipients are required to send their acceptance of the scholarship, provide a headshot photograph for publication, and confirm their participation in an awards recognition ceremony or event.

Applicants who are not selected will be notified by email only. The scholarship is not renewable.

Please use this checklist to ensure everything is accounted for in the application packet. **Only completed applications with the requested supporting documents will be considered.** Please see the "Scholarship Requirements" section for specific information regarding criteria and application documents. Please contact Gloria Wright, Scholarship Committee Chairperson, via email at betasigmascholarship2@gmail.com with any questions or concerns.

1. _____ Scholarship Application (typed, attach additional sheets if needed)
2. _____ Official Sealed School Transcript (affixed with school seal and registrar's signature)
3. _____ Documentation showing a minimum of 60 service hours
4. _____ Typed essay (see "Scholarship Requirements" for topic and specifics)
5. _____ Letter of recommendation #1 – academic
6. _____ Letter of recommendation #2 – academic
7. _____ Letter of recommendation #3 – personal

NOTE: Incomplete application packets (unanswered application questions, missing Documentation) and late applications **will not** be accepted for consideration. Thank you for your understanding.

**** All information supplied will become the property of Beta Sigma Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Incorporated ****

Keep this page for your records!!!

SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Read the application carefully and complete all sections

- ✓ A current graduate in the Montgomery, AL Metropolitan Area, Autauga, Lowndes, and Elmore Counties with the intent of obtaining a postgraduate degree.
- ✓ Minimum of a 3.0 cumulative GPA (submit a **SEALED COPY OFFICIAL COLLEGE TRANSCRIPT**).
 - Include an official transcript, which includes the current term/semester of courses taken.
- ✓ **Minimum** of 60 service hours within the school and or community (Documentation required).
- ✓ Three letters of recommendation - **2 academic references** (teacher, counselor, administrator, etc.) and **one personal reference** (cannot be a family member).

Be sure to select your recommendation writers who know you well and speak knowledgeably and passionately about your overall character, including: length of time they have known you, examples of your work ethic, leadership ability, and commitment to your goals.

-instruct each writer to enclose their letter in a sealed envelope and affix their name across the seal. Letters must be mailed with your application.
- ✓ Submit a typed 2-3 page, double spaced, 12-point font essay on one of the following topics:
- ✓ **1. Describe your most meaningful achievements and how they relate to your field of study and your future goals.**
- ✓ **2. Pick an experience from your own life and explain how it has influenced your development.**
- ✓ **3. Who in your life has been your most significant influence and why?**
- ✓ Spring 25 schedule and Proof of Enrollment from the registrar's office will be required to receive scholarship funds.

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By signing, I acknowledge that the information I have provided is accurate.

Release Authorization: I certify that I have read and understand the scholarship conditions, and I certify that the information in this application is true, complete, and accurate. I understand that any inaccurate information of a substantial nature provided as a part of this application will result in disqualification. I hereby voluntarily grant my college permission to confirm and verify information Beta Sigma Alumnae Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Incorporated for the scholarship selection. If selected as a recipient, I grant permission for my name, information, and/or picture to be used in press releases, websites, or other media outlets identifying me as a Beta Sigma Scholarship recipient of Beta Sigma Alumnae Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE	DATE