



2020 WISE Scholarship Application Guidelines & Instructions

Scholarship Overview

The **WISE (Women in STEM Excel)** Scholarship was created by [Dr. Alexander Sobel](#) to support, empower, and encourage women in Washington pursuing education in science, technology, engineering, and/or mathematics. Washingtonian women interested in a career in a STEM field are welcome to apply for the \$1,500 scholarship.

The scholarship award is to be used toward tuition and educational expenses, including but not limited to: textbooks, supplies (paper, pens, notebooks, etc.), required technology, on-campus dining, housing, and transportation costs.

The scholarship award will be disbursed directly to the student in the form of a cash prize. The selected student will be required to furnish information necessary to issue a 1099 tax form, including social security number, as part of the process for dispersing scholarship monies. Student will be responsible for any resulting tax obligations.

Eligibility Requirements »

The WISE Scholarship is open to female Washington residents pursuing education in a STEM field. Eligible applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Student must be a female Washington resident;
- Student must be pursuing a degree/career path in a STEM-related field* at an institution of higher learning;
- Applicant must submit one letter of recommendation with valid contact information;
- Student must complete application form and provide original essay answers.

** Eligible STEM subjects include chemistry, computer & information technology science, engineering, life sciences, mathematical sciences, physics, astronomy, social sciences, and STEM education and learning research. For the full list of eligible majors [click here](#).*

Privacy Notice »

The organizers of the 2020 WISE Scholarship are committed to safeguarding and preserving your privacy when visiting our website, participating in the scholarship, or communicating with us. We will only make use of your contact and other information for the contest itself and to contact the winning recipient. By submitting an application, applicants agree that the 2020 WISE Scholarship Committee may publicly share name of winner and any approved likeness for announcement and marketing purposes at the discretion of the Committee.

Acceptance of Conditions »

I, _____, have read and understand the conditions of the “2020 WISE Scholarship” as explained in the current **Overview**, **Privacy Notice**, and **Eligibility Requirements** sections. I affirm that I am a Washington-based student pursuing higher education in STEM as defined in those sections. I understand that this application will be available only to scholarship committee in the course of their duties. If selected as the recipient of the WISE Scholarship, I agree to attend a higher education institution on a STEM-related track and furnish proof of my enrollment once available. I also agree to furnish information necessary to issue a 1099 tax form as part of the process for dispersing scholarship monies. I acknowledge that I will be responsible for any resulting tax obligations. I affirm that all of this application is my own work. I affirm the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief at the time of submission.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Application Instructions »

Step One: Applicants will begin by filling out *Personal & Contact Information*.

Step Two: Once this portion of the application is completed to the best of the applicant's ability, applicant will provide original answers to the included essay questions (directions detailed in *Essay Questions* section).

Step Three: After the applicant has completed the application packet, they must submit the forms online via the uploader on the application submission page at www.andersonsobelcosmetic.com/wise-scholarship-application. The application may be submitted in either PDF (.pdf), Microsoft Word (.doc, .docx), or Rich Text (.rtf) format.

Step Four: Applicants are required to upload a letter of recommendation with accurate contact information for person supplying letter of recommendation via the uploader on the application submission page at www.andersonsobelcosmetic.com/wise-scholarship-application. The letter of recommendation may be submitted in either PDF (.pdf), Microsoft Word (.doc, .docx), or Rich Text (.rtf) format.

All application materials must be submitted by 5PM PDT on Friday, July 24, 2020.

Application begins on following page.

Scholarship Application

Personal & Contact Information »

Full legal name:

Permanent residence:

Primary phone:

Email address:

Date of birth:

Current level of education:

Planned major/field of study:

Schools of interest:

List college and high school extracurricular activities (student government, sports, publications, school-sponsored community service, arts, music, etc.):

List public service and community activities (volunteer, advocacy activities, etc.):

Essay Questions »

Read the following questions carefully and provide a thoughtful, original answer to each. The word count for each question is limited to 350 words or less.

1. Why are you pursuing higher education in a STEM field?

2. How do you intend to make your mark as a woman in STEM?

3. Choose **two** questions below to answer:

- How does better representation of women in STEM positively impact the world?
- Who is your female role model and how does she inspire you?
- Fast forward 20 years, and you've just been awarded the Nobel Prize. What was it for?

- END OF APPLICATION -

Save your application now and submit via the uploader on the application submission page at www.andersonsobelcosmetic.com/wise-scholarship-application