



# Columbus REALTORS® Foundation General Scholarship Application

## PURPOSE:

To ensure the future of the central Ohio real estate industry, the Columbus REALTORS® Foundation and its supporting partners seek to provide scholarship aid to students, completing real estate related degree and licensing coursework in central Ohio. **IMPORTANT! Proper pronunciation is REAL-TOR, not RE-LA-TOR**

## APPLICATION FAQ'S & TIPS:

- Applicants must be committed to the pursuit of an educational program, certification, or degree in a real estate related field, with the intent of **working in the central Ohio market. Incomplete/handwritten applications, or submissions for persons located outside of central Ohio will not be considered.**
- If selected, proof of enrollment from the educational institution is required, those applying for pre-licensing aid may submit a letter of intent to enroll from the program.
- Recipients have six (6) months to enroll/ use funds (unused funds will be returned to the Foundation); if not enrolling within six months, the Foundation suggests applying for the next award cycle.
- Any final award amount will be paid on your behalf directly to the institution provided, in no case will funds be distributed directly to the individual.
- Once classes are completed, the Foundation is unable to retroactively reimburse funds.
- The committee encourages research on the role and structure of the local, state, and national REALTOR® associations **prior** to application.
- Once you are an active member of the Columbus REALTORS®, the Foundation strongly encourages committee/ industry involvement. Visit [www.columbusrealtors.com/committees](http://www.columbusrealtors.com/committees)

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

This application form is to be completed once to apply for ALL following scholarship opportunities:

- **Columbus REALTORS® Foundation Memorial Scholarship**
- **Independent Broker's Association Scholarship**
- **Women's Council of REALTORS® Scholarship**
- **Connie Salts Memorial Scholarship**
- **Nate Katz Memorial Scholarship**
- **Young Professionals Network Scholarship**

- Completed and typed application
- Two (2) professional letters of recommendation
- One-page typed essay (see p.4)
- Detailed business plan (see p.4)

To qualify for consideration the application must be **typed, complete, and received by the deadline**. Applications accepted by email, fax, in-person, or mail (applications post-marked but not received by deadline will NOT be considered). Be sure to download/save application before completing.

## AWARD TIMELINE:

**An in-person interview is required;** if selected, candidates will be contacted following the review session to schedule an interview time. Final award decisions are made following in-person interviews. The Foundation will relay final award status to you by email or mail as soon as possible, **please no phone calls**.

**Deadline:** Friday, March. 27, 2020 (5 pm)

**Application Review:** Thursday, April 9, 2020

**In-Person Interviews:** Friday, April 24, 2020

## TO SUBMIT/QUESTIONS:

**Contact:** Ida Seitter, Director of Development  
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**APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**WHAT TYPE OF FUNDING DO YOU SEEK?**

Funding for 2yr - 4yr degree (currently enrolled)  
 School Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address, City, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Major / Focus\*: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \*If major is not real estate specific, list relevant course work: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

I plan to enroll in a real estate pre-licensing program  
 Program Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Start Date / Session Planned: \_\_\_\_\_

Broker Licensing  
 Program Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Start Date / Session Planned: \_\_\_\_\_

EDUCATION:	Name of Institution	Dates	Major/Degree	GPA	Program completed? (Y/N*)
Previous College:	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
High School:	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other:	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

\*If No, please list expected completion date

**EMPLOYMENT** *(Attach an additional sheet if needed)*

Current Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates Employed: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hours Per Week: \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates Employed: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hours Per Week: \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Reason for Leaving: \_\_\_\_\_



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1. List any current leadership roles, significant community involvement, or awards/designations received:

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2. Choose three (3) words describe you best, and explain in one sentence how each will help you succeed as a REALTOR®.

1.

2.

3.

3. Do you plan to work full-time or part-time once licensed and will you work as part of a team or as a solo agent? Why?

4. What do you see as the two biggest challenges to the real estate industry in the next 5 years?

5. How did you learn about the Columbus REALTORS® Foundation scholarship program?



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## ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS:

**Business Plan:** Please see the attached guide as a sample. A qualified plan should present well thought-out goals, evidence of financial stability, and take into account initial start-up costs required to succeed (including association dues, marketing costs, etc.) for at least two years. *Provide as a one page pdf document with completed application, use the provided template as your format.*

**Personal Essay:** Why should the committee select you for a scholarship, why would it be a sound investment for the Foundation and real estate industry, and why do you want to be a REALTOR®? Note: While financial need may be taken into consideration it is not a determining factor. Please include any past/ current real estate experience, including affiliated industry work. *Provide as a pdf with completed application; 2 pages max.*

**Letters of Recommendation:** Please list two professional references and include a letter from each with your application; appropriate submissions include non-relatives (supervisor, community leader, colleagues, etc.) and may include current REALTOR® members.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

## BROKER LICENSING APPLICANTS ONLY:

Number of Transactions within last 48 months: \_\_\_\_\_

Columbus REALTORS® Sales Awards received & date: \_\_\_\_\_

Columbus REALTORS® committee / local area realty association / community positions held & date: \_\_\_\_\_

## IN-PERSON INTERVIEW:

If selected, a 15 minute in-person interview is required for award consideration. By signing below you affirm your availability the morning/early afternoon of April 24 (no exceptions).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**By submitting this application you declare your intent (once licensed) to become a REALTOR® or affiliate member of the Columbus REALTORS®. You also certify that all information included with your submission is true and correct.**