

American Association for Women in Community Colleges

Valencia Community College Chapter

AAWCC Annual Scholarship



Scholarship Application/Essay Rubric

The American Association for Women in Community Colleges – Valencia Community College Chapter (AAWCC) is committed to equity and excellence in education and employment for women in community, junior, and technical colleges. The organization provides professional development, leadership training, networking, and workforce excellence opportunities for students, faculty, and staff. Visit our website at <http://www.valenciacc.edu/AAWCC/>

APPLICATION DEADLINE: December 2, 2009

Submit application to the Answer Center or mail to:	Joanna R. Branham, Mail Code: 3-1 Valencia Community College, East Campus 701 N. Econlockhatchee Trail, Orlando, FL 32825
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1. Complete the AAWCC Scholarship Application on the reserve side.
2. Submit a 2009/2010 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Processed results must show the applicant to have unmet financial need with priority given to students who do not qualify for other types of grants or scholarships.
3. Must be an active female Valencia student with a minimum cumulative 2.5 GPA.
4. Submit a 500 word essay demonstrating the criteria given on the essay rubric below. Essay must detail personal, academic, and professional short and long-term goals. You should discuss your career aim and the steps you are taking to reach that goal.

ESSAY RUBRIC:

A. Short-Term and Long-Term Goals/Measurable Objectives (20 points)

First, read the mission of AAWCC. State both short and long-term goals (personal, academic and professional) and explain the ways you intend to accomplish each goal? Include details and a rationale for your Valencia experience, career choice, and potential challenges that you may face.

Inadequate (0-6)	Adequate (7-13)	Exemplary (14-20)
Short-term, long-term and measurable objectives are confusing or not specific and do not align with AAWCC mission.	Short-term goals, long-term goals, and measurable objectives are somewhat specific. An attempt is made to align them with the mission of the AAWCC.	Short-term goals, long-term goals, and measurable objectives are specific and align with the AAWCC mission.

B. Level of Personal Commitment/Leadership Roles (20 points)

Explain ways that you show commitment to leadership roles and community involvement. Include details of past, present and future aspirations to lead.

Inadequate (0-6)	Adequate (7-13)	Exemplary (14-20)
There are no examples of leadership presented in the essay.	There are adequate examples of leadership commitment and some mention of community involvement.	There are strong examples of ideas presented to exemplify applicant's commitment to leadership and community.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN IN COMMUNITY COLLEGES

VALENCIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE CHAPTER

\$550 Annual Scholarship Application

2009/2010

Name: _____ VID# _____

Address: _____

(Street, City, State, Zip Code)

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Atlas email: _____

Have you submitted a 2009/2010 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)? yes no
Approximate date submitted: _____

Academic Information:

Degree you are seeking from Valencia: (Please check one)

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS **ASSOCIATION OF SCIENCE**

MAJOR YOU INTEND TO PURSUE: _____

Current Cumulative GPA: _____

****Essay (Short and Long Term Goals)** Attach a typed 500 word essay detailing your personal, academic, and professional short and long-term goals as outlined in the essay rubric on the reverse side.

Read and check all boxes below:

I give Valencia Community College permission to provide AAWCC with a report of my academic performance, copies of my academic transcripts and to share information from my personal statement.

I give Valencia permission to provide my financial aid information with AAWCC.

I will attend a donor reception event or a media announcement at the request of AAWCC. I will allow my name to be published on the AAWCC website.

Student signature: _____ Date: _____

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