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Valencia Alumni Association Scholarships and Awards

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Our Purpose

To promote the lifelong personal, educational and professional growth of alumni and students of Valencia Community College, and to develop a sense of community among alumni.

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Scholarships: Education Is In

- Awards vary from \$500 to \$4,000 each
- Alumni Scholarship Committee and Board of Directors review applications and interview students
- Alumni Association members hold fundraising events to build student scholarships
- Great opportunity for international, part-time and non-traditional students



Association Scholarships

- David F. Collier Memorial Scholarship
- Mayor Richard T. Crotty Valencia – UCF 2plus2 Scholarships
- Charlie Edwards Memorial Scholarship
- Florence E. and Andrea L. Jasica Scholarship
- Lula C. Keyes Scholarship
- Roger G. Keyes Scholarship
- Rosita N. Martinez Scholarship
- Betty House Palmer Scholarship
- Alumni Association Fall & Spring Scholarships

New Future Scholarships

- Howe Collazo Starfish Swam Scholarship
- Eileen B. Stana Scholarship

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Association Awards

- Distinguished Graduate Award
 - Valencia's most prestigious student award
 - Serves as Commencement Speaker
 - Biography featured in commencement program
 - Cash award
 - Finalist awards

1. Watch for Advertising

- Alumni Association website www.valenciacc.edu/alumni
- Financial Aid Bulletin Board website
http://www.valenciacc.edu/finaid/Scholarship_bulletin.cfm
- Student Newsletters
- Student Development Office
- Valencia Foundation website
<http://www.valencia.org/scholarships/scholarshipApp.cfm>
- Alumni Relations Office (407) 582-2946

2. Read Requirements Carefully

Most scholarships require:

- 6-12 credit hours completed (graduate awards excluded)
- 2.0–3.0 Overall GPA (varies with award)
- Currently enrolled in at least 6 credit hours
- Some require an essay
- Financial need considered but not required
- College and community service considered
- 2plus2 and Distinguished Graduate require interviews
- Current, sealed official transcript www.valenciacc.edu/records
- References from Valencia faculty, staff and others
- Complete application packet arrives in the Alumni Relations office by deadline

3. Create A High-Quality Packet

- Explain why **you** should be selected
- Tell your real dreams and goals
- Use references that really know you and your dreams
- Send **current, sealed**, official transcript
- Make sure your packet arrives on time

4. Interviewing for 2plus2 & Distinguished Graduate Awards

- Be on time
- Wear business dress-need not be expensive
- Be courteous
- Be yourself but not too casual or comical
- Listen carefully to the questions
- Take a minute to think
- Make eye contact with the interviewer
- Explain, when asked, your specific strengths
- Thank your interviewers

Join Us - Membership is Free!

Apply online: http://www.valenciacc.edu/alumni/membership_form.cfm

Valencia Alumni Association Membership Categories:

Full Member

Has successfully earned an A.A., A.S. or A.A.S. degree or technical program certificate. Is eligible to vote and to hold office in the Association and is entitled to all the alumni benefits and services.

Student Member

Has started but not yet completed a diploma and/or certificate program at the college. Is not entitled to vote or to hold office, but is eligible to receive any of the Alumni benefits and services.

Honorary Member

Any individual who is not otherwise qualified to be a member, but receives approval by a majority vote of the board. Former college presidents and trustees will automatically be awarded honorary membership status. Is not entitled to vote or to hold office in the Association, but is eligible to receive all the alumni benefits and services.