



Daughters of Penelope of Golden Gate District 21 2026 Scholarship Application

Daughters of Penelope of Golden Gate District 21 scholarships are awarded on an academic merit system by a group of unbiased outside evaluators hired by the Daughters of Penelope on an annual basis. The Evaluators may not have any association with any of the candidates or their families or be members of any branch of the AHEPA Family of District 21.

Applicants must read and follow **ALL** of the directions of the Application. Any omission of the required materials or a late postmark date will render the Application incomplete and ineligible for any award consideration. **Recipients will receive their cash award once proof of enrollment and payment fee is received by the District Scholarship Chair.**

YOUR APPLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ITS ENTIRETY ONLINE NO LATER THAN APRIL 15, 2026

AWARDS ARE NOT RENEWABLE AND WILL BE ISSUED TO RECIPIENTS ONLY ONCE IN ANY SCHOLARSHIP CATEGORY.

Eligibility for All Awards

1. Must have minimum 3.0 GPA
2. Must be a member of the Daughters of Penelope or the Maids of Athena of Golden Gate District 21 in good standing for a minimum of two (2) years before the application year **OR** have a mother or grandmother who has been a Daughter of Penelope in good standing in Golden Gate District 21 for a minimum of two (2) years before the application year and has attended four (4) meetings during the fiscal year **OR** has a father or grandfather who is a Golden Gate District 21 AHEPAN in good standing for a minimum of two (2) years before the application year and who has attended four (4) meetings during the fiscal year.
3. Must be accepted or currently enrolled in a college or university program.
4. ***Cannot be a former recipient of the same level award from the Daughters of Penelope of Golden Gate District 21 Scholarship program, i.e. one cannot receive undergraduate, graduate, or re-entry award more than once. Applicants may apply for a subsequent scholarship of a different level, i.e. undergraduate and then graduate at a later time.***

Additional Requirements for Graduate Awards

1. Be a **female** (*) and never awarded a graduate scholarship by the Daughters of Penelope
2. Be accepted into or be currently enrolled in a college or university graduate program that leads to an advanced or terminal degree.
3. Enroll in a minimum of six (6) units per **academic quarter/semester**

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Additional Requirements for Re-entry Award

1. Be a **female** and never awarded a re-entry Scholarship by the Daughters of Penelope
2. Be accepted or currently enrolled in a college, university, or vocational program after a time away from higher education.

****The Angela Mouroufas Memorial Graduate Scholarship is now available to both female/male students. If there is no eligible graduate applicant, an undergraduate student may be selected.***

The Ekaterini Tsakopoulos Memorial Graduate Scholarship is only available to female graduate student.

Application Requirements for all Scholarships:

1. The online application form must be completed and submitted.
2. Photograph – Face shot – **Upload through the online application form**
3. Have the **President** and **Secretary** of the **endorsing chapter** complete the endorsement page **to verify your membership or your parent’s or grandparent’s membership. This must be emailed to the Scholarship Chair at dop21scholarship@gmail.com.**
4. A typed 300–500-word essay in English about your educational, vocational and personal life goals, aspirations and the importance of your Hellenic Heritage. Tell us about you! **Upload through the online application form.**
5. Provide a current official electronic transcript **sent directly from your educational institution to the Scholarship Chair at dop21scholarship@gmail.com** (preferred) **OR** Transcripts in a sealed envelope with a Registrar’s stamp from the educational institution mailed to the Scholarship Chair.
6. Two (2) letters of recommendation **dated from the current school year** are required. These may be from two of the following: clergy, faculty member, employer, or other individual who knows you well (letters may not come from a family member). **The letters must be sent directly from your recommender to the Scholarship Chair at dop21scholarship@gmail.com.**
7. Mandatory Scholarship Application Check List **must be filled out in the online application.**

The Application and **ALL required documents** listed above must be received by District Scholarship Chair by the **application deadline of April 15, 2026**. There is no grace period to this deadline.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact the Scholarship Chair:

Alicia Frangos, Past District Governor

dop21scholarship@gmail.com

650-245-2256 – feel free call or text

***Important** -- Any contact with the Scholarship Chair should be directly from the student rather than a parent or other individual.

Notification of Awards

The District Scholarship Chair will notify all applicants of their award status by email at the completion of the evaluation process. This should be approximately May 15th.

To receive an awarded scholarship check, the recipient must email proof of registration and receipt of tuition payment for the fall term at the college, university or vocational program to the District Scholarship Chair.

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Once these are received, the award check can be mailed to the recipient.

Addendum

The Checklist! Check once more that you have not missed anything!

Applicants will be disqualified unless all items below are received as specified by the deadline, April 15, 2026.

- Scholarship Application - Name, personal and educational information **submitted online**.
- Photograph – Face shot – **uploaded through the online application**.
- Two (2) letters of recommendation **dated from the current school year. The letters must be sent directly from your recommender to the Scholarship Chair at dop21scholarship@gmail.com.**
- Your 300–500-word essay. **Upload through the online application**
- Current official electronic transcript sent directly from your educational institution to the Scholarship Chair by email dop21scholarship@gmail.com (preferred) **OR** Transcripts in a sealed envelope with a Registrar’s stamp from the educational institution mailed to the Scholarship Chair.
- Your acknowledgement of accuracy of information provided – **in the online application**.
- Daughters/AHEPA/Maids Chapter Endorsement (signed by President and Secretary) emailed to the Scholarship Chair dop21scholarship@gmail.com.