

## 2016-2017 Gainesville Charitable Foundation, Inc. Masonic Scholarship

### \* FOUNDATION HISTORY \*

Since 1981, the Gainesville Charitable Foundation, Inc., has assisted children and adults who live in Alachua County and surrounding areas who suffer from disabling or other deleterious conditions. Through charitable donations, scholarships, grants, and other means, the Foundation has contributed more than \$1,500,000, since its inception, to deserving individuals and organizations. The ***Gainesville Charitable Foundation, Inc. Masonic Scholarship*** is awarded annually to an undergraduate or graduate student at the University of Florida who is a Master Mason or the relative of a Master Mason, who is a member of a Masonic Lodge recognized by the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Florida.

### \* QUALIFICATIONS \*

This scholarship award of not less than \$1,000 will be awarded to an undergraduate or graduate student who has completed at least one academic semester at the University of Florida with a cumulative grade point average of no less than 3.0 (undergraduate) or 3.5 (graduate). The recipient of the award must be in good standing with the University and free of conduct probation. He or she must be a Master Mason or relative of a Master Mason, in good standing, of a lodge recognized by the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Florida. The University of Florida Office for Student Financial Affairs will inform the Gainesville Charitable Foundation of the applicant's (or the applicant's relative's) Mason affiliation and lodge. The Gainesville Charitable Foundation will verify Florida Grand Lodge recognition. For those not familiar with the Masonic organization, members in good standing in the Scottish Rite, York Rite, Shriners, and many other appendant bodies are Master Masons.

### \* HOW TO APPLY \*

- 1) Complete the attached application
- 2) Write a personal narrative of no more than 1000 words describing your background (difficulties encountered or obstacles overcome) and your academic and professional goals
- 3) Submit the completed application and narrative **by June 1, 2016** to

Office for Student Financial Affairs  
S-107 Criser Hall  
P.O. Box 114025  
Gainesville, FL 32611-4025

A recipient will generally be selected by July 1<sup>st</sup> of each year for the following fall semester; however, if no qualified applicant is identified, the application process will remain open. The recipient will be notified in writing if selected.



Division of Enrollment Management  
Office for Student Financial Affairs

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**GAINESVILLE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION, INC.  
2016-2017 MASONIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Check One: ☐ Undergraduate ☐ Graduate

Name \_\_\_\_\_ UFID # \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Local Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street / P.O. Box City Zip

Gator Link E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Local Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Perm. Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street / P.O. Box City Zip

UF Academic Major and College \_\_\_\_\_ Cum. UF GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Masonic Relative \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
(Must be a member of a Florida Masonic Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, or a Lodge approved by the Grand Lodge of Florida, F. and A. M.)

Lodge Name and Number \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Contact Person and Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Attach a personal narrative of not more than 1,000 words describing your background (difficulties encountered or obstacles overcome) and your academic and professional goals.

*I agree to have my academic and conduct records reviewed by Office for Student Financial Affairs for the purpose of determining the recipients of this scholarship. I also understand I must be enrolled as a full-time degree-seeking student in order to receive this scholarship. I also agree to release the above information to the Gainesville Charitable Foundation for scholarship selection purposes.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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