The Daughters For Life Foundation

2013 Scholarship Application Form

The Daughters For Life Foundation in partnership with Trent University will provide six full scholarships including travel, tuition, accommodation and food to young women in the Middle East in order to pursue postgraduate study at Trent University starting in September 2013.

Applications will be considered based on financial need, academic achievement, satisfactory references, community involvement as well as demonstrated compassion and creativity. Applications will be assessed through both the submission of written materials and interview. Renewal of the scholarship will be based on the successful academic progression of the scholarship recipient in each year of her program at Trent University.

This scholarship program is presented in memory of the three daughters of Dr. Izzeldin Abuelaish, President of The Daughters For Life Foundation, who lost their lives during the Israeli incursion on Gaza in 2009.

Eligible applicants should submit this form to The Daughters For Life Foundation, complete Trent University's online application for admission and submit all necessary paperwork to the University. These forms include official transcripts, two letters of reference, a plan of study and a writing sample. A complete list of the required forms can be found here: http://www.trentu.ca/graduatestudies/howdoiapply.php.

Graduate programs of study available at Trent University include:

- Anthropology M.A.
- Applied Modelling and Quantitative Methods M.A./M.Sc.
- Canadian Studies Ph.D.
- Canadian Studies & Indigenous Studies M.A.
- Cultural Studies Ph.D.
- English (Public Texts) M.A.
- Environmental & Life Sciences M.Sc./Ph.D.
- History M.A.
- Indigenous Studies Ph.D.
- Materials Science M.Sc./Ph.D.
- Psychology M.A./M.Sc.
- Theory, Culture & Politics M.A.
- Sustainability Studies M.A.

Application Due Date: February 1, 2013
Eligibility:

- Female applicant
- Meets Daughters for Life selection criteria and Trent University's requirements for graduate admission.

The Daughters For Life Foundation Selection Criteria:

- Achieving success despite having to overcome significant hardship or adversity.
- Financial hardship.
- Outstanding contribution to improving the lives of girls and young women, through extra-curricular activities, work or volunteer experiences at her school or in her community.
- Academic achievement.
- Demonstrated compassion and creativity.
- Willing to sign a binding agreement to return to the Middle East to work for a certain number of years to be agreed upon later.

Trent University Admission Criteria:

Master's programs:

- The minimum requirement for admission to a Master's program is a 4 year Bachelor's Degree (or the equivalent), from a recognized university.
- Overall academic average of at least an upper second-class standing (B+/77%) in the work of the last 10 full academic credits or the last two undergraduate years (full-time equivalent).
- Proof of proficiency in English before admission using one of the tests listed at: http://www.trentu.ca/graduatestudies/internationalstudents.php

Doctoral programs:

- Applicants to a Ph.D. program should normally have a Master of Arts or a Master of Science degree as appropriate.
- A minimum B+ average.
- Proof of proficiency in English before admission using one of the tests listed at: http://www.trentu.ca/graduatestudies/internationalstudents.php
Individual programs may have further admission criteria. Detailed information about the Graduate Programs offered at Trent University can be accessed through the Program of Study page: [http://www.trentu.ca/graduatestudies/programsofstudy.php](http://www.trentu.ca/graduatestudies/programsofstudy.php)

**Scholarship Application Checklist:**

- Completed and signed The Daughters For Life Foundation Scholarship Application Form (including essay questions).
- Submission of online Trent University application and all required documents.
- At least one letter of reference from a faculty member or supervisor.
- Original or copies (attested to by the educational institution of issue) of undergraduate or graduate transcripts with a minimum grade of B+/77% in required program subjects.
- Proof of English language proficiency.
- Copy of resume/ CV.

Please note that this scholarship application will be used to determine which students will be nominated for the DFL/Trent University Scholarship. Admission to Trent University does not guarantee a student the DFL/Trent University Scholarship, and a nomination from the Daughters For Life Foundation does not guarantee admission to Trent University. Selection criteria for BOTH The Daughters For Life Foundation and Trent University must be met.
2013 Scholarship Application Form

Part I. Student Details

Applicant’s name:______________________________________________________

Current address:___________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________

Local phone number:_________________________________________________

E-mail address: ______________________________________________________

Current program of study and department: _________________________________

If graduated, indicate date of graduation: ________________

Desired program of study at Trent University: ______________________________

Have you submitted your completed application to Trent University? Yes No

Is this above information correct? Yes No

Applicant’s signature: ___________________________ Date: _________________
Part II. Essay Questions

Applicant’s name: ______________________________________________________

Applicants and nominees should use this form to write a response of 300-400 words to BOTH questions. You may type your responses directly on to this sheet, use the back of this page or attach a separate sheet if more space is required.

Question 1: Throughout your life, how have you managed to succeed despite having to face or overcome hardship?

Question 2: Through your extracurricular activities, work or volunteer experiences, how have you contributed to improving the lives of girls and young women? How have these experiences contributed to your personal growth and development?
**Part III. Reference Form**

A letter of support is required for the completion of this application. If the student is being nominated, the nominator should provide the letter of reference.

Name of applicant:

__________________________________________________

Name of nominator/supporter:

__________________________________________

Position/title and department of supporter:

__________________________________________

Affiliation to applicant:

__________________________________________

Phone number: ___________________ E-mail: ___________________

Please briefly explain why you believe that this candidate is qualified for the Daughters for Life Foundation Award based on the criteria based on page one. You may use the back of this page or attach a separate sheet if more space is required.

Supporter name: ______________________________

Supporter signature: _________________________ Date: ___________________
Part V. Financial Need Analysis Form

Applicant’s name: _________________________

University: ______________________________

This information will not be made public and will only be used by the Daughters for Life Foundation to help determine scholarship winners. We ask that you fill in the form below to the best of your ability. Please use your local currency when noting any income or savings.

What is your marital status? (circle one)
Single    Married    Separated    Divorced    Widowed

Who is paying for the tuition for your undergraduate degree? __________________________

Please provide details of all family members living in your household including yourself. Be sure to include the financial information of the person providing for your tuition.

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Do you earn any income?    Yes    No

Do you have any money saved?    Yes    No

If yes, how much? _________

How much is your university tuition? _______________________

Do received any scholarships, grants or outside financial assistance to help cover your tuition costs?    Yes    No

If yes, how much do you receive? ______________