

**APPLICATION FOR AFWA KATHLEEN M. STRUM MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP  
ACCOUNTING & FINANCIAL WOMEN’S ALLIANCE**

**Ames Chapter #158**

**Ames, Iowa**

**DUE November 1, 2024**

**PLEASE READ AND COMPLETE THIS APPLICATION CAREFULLY!!  
ONLY COMPLETED CANDIDATE SUBMISSIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED.**

This \$1,500-\$2,000 scholarship may be awarded for the upcoming spring 2025 semester. The recipient will be recognized at a spring meeting of the Ames Chapter of AFWA.

The completed application must be received by November 1, 2024. An interview may be required.

An applicant for this scholarship must:

1. Be a non-traditional student
2. Major in accounting
3. Be a resident of or attend college in Story, Boone, or Marshall Counties of Iowa.
4. Support her family with one or more children

**Instructions for Completing the Application:**

- Answer all questions. If the information does not apply, please state as such.
- Include an official transcript from the most recent college listed.
- Attach an essay from 300 to 500 words on career goals and objectives, what it means to be a non-traditional student with children, what impact the candidate wants to have on the accounting world, community involvement and leadership examples.
- Attach a letter of recommendation from an individual such as a professor or an employer who can attest to your character and enthusiasm for the accounting professions. The letter of recommendation should include contact information for the person making the recommendation.
- Email or mail the completed application, essay, transcript and letter of recommendation to:  
Email: [scholarship@amesafwa.org](mailto:scholarship@amesafwa.org) Mail: Cindy Sippel, 1034 NE Aspen Circle, Ankeny, IA 50021. The completed application must be received by **November 1, 2024**.

**1. APPLICATION INFORMATION**

Date of Application
Name of Applicant

University or College Name
Student ID Number
Financial Aid Department Phone Number

**2. PERSONAL DATA (Address and telephone number where applicant may be reached)**

Address	
City/State/Zip	
Telephone	Email

**3. ACADEMIC BACKGROUND (Post Secondary Schools Attended)**

College/University 1.	
From - To	Expected Graduation Date
Major	Grade Point Average – Overall
Hours Completed	Grade Point Average – Accounting

College/University 2.	
From - To	
Major	Grade Point Average – Overall
Hours Completed	Grade Point Average – Accounting/Finance courses

College/University 3.	
From - To	
Major	Grade Point Average - Overall
Hours Completed	Grade Point Average – Accounting/Finance courses

**\*\*\*Attach one [1] current official transcript. \*\*\***

**4. EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND HONORS**

Extracurricular Activities and Offices Held (include academic, professional, etc.)
Honors and Awards Received

**5. FINANCIAL BACKGROUND (Be sure Income >= Expense. Attach Financial Aid Transcript if available.)**

<b>YOUR Total Income</b>	<b>Academic Year <u>2023-2024</u></b>	<b>Academic Year <u>2024-2025 (Estimate)</u></b>
Scholarships	_____	_____
Grants	_____	_____
Loans	_____	_____
Wages	_____	_____
Family	_____	_____
Savings	_____	_____
Other (describe)	_____	_____
<b>TOTAL</b>	_____	_____

**YOUR Total Expense**

Educational Expenses	_____	_____
Tuition	_____	_____
Books/Supplies	_____	_____
Other (describe)	_____	_____
<b>TOTAL</b>	_____	_____

**6. Are you self-supporting? (Yes/No)**

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If yes, number of dependents including you.

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Ages of children in your household

\_\_\_\_\_

**7. Are you supported totally or partially by another person?**

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If yes, numbers of persons that person supports:  
(include yourself and the supporter)

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Total prior year gross income of person providing your support:

\_\_\_\_\_

Current year expected gross income of that person:

\_\_\_\_\_

**8. ESSAY – Attach an essay from 300 to 500 words on career goals and objectives, what it means to be a non-traditional student with children, what impact the candidate wants to have on the accounting world, community involvement and leadership examples.**

<http://amesafwa.org/scholarships.html>

9. **LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION** – Attach a letter of recommendation from an individual such as a professor or an employer who can attest to the candidate’s character and enthusiasm for the accounting profession.
10. The candidate understands that, if selected, she will be asked to provide a digital picture and sign a release so that the Chapter can publish the picture and brief biography of a candidate. If required, a candidate may need to supply her Social Security number for reporting purposes. Please do not call or email requesting the status of your application. Application submission does not guarantee a scholarship.

I certify that the information contained in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I further understand that if selected for a scholarship, I must provide proof of current registration before receiving any scholarship funds.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date