

ACFA – Helen Brothers Memorial Scholarship Criteria

***Applicant must be affiliated with the Alabama Consumer Finance Association as an employee of a Regular or Associate Member company, or be a child of an employee of a Regular or Associate Member company;**

***Priority of selection for the ACFA-HBMS scholarship will be given to first enrollment college freshmen who enroll in the college of their choice. Should there not be a qualifying applicant in this category, then consideration may be given to an enrolled student who otherwise meets the qualifications for the scholarship. The award of the scholarship is a one-time award and a recipient of a prior awarded ACFA – HBMS scholarship shall not be eligible for a 2nd award of a scholarship;**

***Applicants must fill-in and submit a complete and documented Application for Scholarship for ACFA – Helen Brothers Memorial Scholarship to the ACFA-HBMS Selection and Awards Committee during the period March 1 – June 1 of the scholarship year;**

***Applicants for the ACFA – Helen Brothers Memorial Scholarship are subject to interview by the Committee at the time and place specified by the Committee;**

***Applicants shall attach a certified current transcript of grades to the Application for Scholarship from the prior educational institution attended. The minimum grade point average for consideration of the scholarship shall be 3.0 or higher;**

***Applicants shall attach to the Application for Scholarship two signed letters of recommendation from the faculty and/or counselors who actually taught or counseled the applicant at the prior attended educational institution. These letters should address the applicant's ability for achievement, ability to overcome obstacles and achieve desired goals, indications of good citizenship by the applicant, and any other relevant comments.**

If the applicant has been out of school for four years, letters are acceptable from current and former employers and/or from the office of community organizations in which the applicant has worked/served.

***Applicants shall attach to the Application for Scholarship a written essay (300 – 500 words) as to the reasons the applicant feels they are deserving of the scholarship, the applicant's goals in attending the college of their choice, and career aspirations;**

***Weight will be given by the ACFA – HBMS Selection and Awards Committee to the applicant's community and church service record;**

***ACFA – HBMS scholarships awarded may be utilized by the student as they see fit for tuition, books, fees, or room and board if related to the enrollment in college.**

***At the end of the enrollment period for which the scholarship has been awarded, the student shall notify ACFA of courses completed, grades and hours completed, and benefits received from the ACFA-HBMS scholarship.**

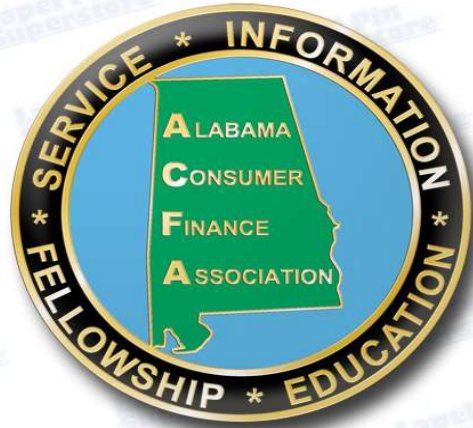
ACFA – HBMS Selection and Awards Committee

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APPLICATION FORM

Please complete the applicant information

- *A certified transcript of grades from the last 60 days
- *Transcript should certify a grade point average of 3.0 or higher
- *Two letters of recommendation as noted in the instructions
- *Personal essay of 300 – 500 words as noted in the instructions



APPLICANT INFORMATION

FULL NAME: _____ NICKNAME: _____

PERMANENT ADDRESS: _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ WORK PHONE _____

CELL PHONE _____ EMAIL ADDRESS _____

STUDENT I. D. NUMBER (If available) _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ AGE _____ CHECK ONE: MALE FEMALE

ARE YOU A U.S. CITIZEN: YES NO ARE YOU EMPLOYED: YES NO

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION:

NAME _____ LOCATION _____

YEAR GRADUATED _____ HIGH SCHOOL GPA _____

PRINCIPAL NAME _____ PHONE _____

GUIDANCE COUNSELOR NAME _____

COLLEGE INFORMATION:

HAVE YOU BEEN ACCEPTED BY A COLLEGE: _____ YES _____ NO

NAME _____ LOCATION _____

IF NOT, WHERE DO YOU PLAN TO ATTEND COLLEGE:

NAME _____ LOCATION _____

COLLEGE IS: _____ 4 YEAR COLLEGE _____ COMMUNITY COLLEGE

WHAT IS YOUR INTENDED MAJOR/FIELD OF STUDY: _____

NUMBER OF COLLEGE CREDITS EARNED TO DATE (If Any): _____ GPA: _____

ANTICIPATED CREDIT HOURS PER SEMESTER: _____

ANTICIPATED ENROLLMENT DATE: _____

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION:

HAVE YOU APPLIED OR BEEN APPROVED/ACCEPTED FOR A FEDERAL PELL GRANT? _____ YES _____ NO

HAVE YOU APPLIED OR BEEN APPROVED/ACCEPTED FOR A FEDERAL STUDENT LOAN? _____ YES _____ NO

HAVE YOU RECEIVED ANY OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS? _____ YES _____ NO
(If yes, please list name of the scholarship(s), amount of scholarship(s), and date (s) received)

_____ \$ _____ DATE: _____

_____ \$ _____ DATE: _____

SCHOOL, COMMUNITY OR CHURCH SERVICE ACTIVITIES: List all SCHOOL, COMMUNITY, OR CHURCH activities in which you have participated and special awards you may have received such as Student Government Awards, Sports, Choir, Church, Band, or volunteer work (use additional sheets if needed):

<u>TYPE OF ACTIVITY</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY</u>
<u>AWARDS</u>		
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

WORK EXPERIENCE: Describe your work experience during the last four years. Indicate dates of employment in each job and approximate number of hours worked each week (use additional sheets if needed):

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>EMPLOYMENT FROM – TO DATES</u>	<u>JOB DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>NUMBER HRS. WK.</u>	<u>WHY LEFT</u>

Applicant's Certification and Permission To Release Information

I certify that the information contained within this application and attachments thereto are complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I hereby authorize any source listed in this application to disclose any information related to my educational, community service, or employment background to the ACFA – HBMS Selection and Awards Committee for use in consideration for my application for a scholarship.

Applicant's signature: _____ **Date:** _____

***Submit application and documents to: ACFA, P. O. Box 5539, Decatur, AL 35601**