

H A R R I E T L . W I L K E S  
**HONORS COLLEGE**  
F L O R I D A A T L A N T I C U N I V E R S I T Y  
EL SOL

**HONORS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

**Fall Application Deadline: July 31**  
**Spring Application Deadline: October 1**

**Goals and Requirements:**

The Wilkes Honors College El Sol Scholarship Program provides financial assistance to Wilkes Honors College students who demonstrate a commitment to serving Florida's Latin American/Caribbean immigrant community. The goal of this scholarship is to develop well-rounded, skilled, and committed individuals who are motivated to take positions with businesses, public entities and non-profits that serve Hispanic/Caribbean and/or indigenous communities in Florida and elsewhere. Preference will be given to applicants with financial need who demonstrate a commitment to community service and academic excellence. These scholarships shall be awarded on the basis of need and merit without regard to race, color, religion, age, sex, national origin, or handicap.

Scholarship recipients will be required to complete a minimum of three credits of internship work with Corn-Maya Inc. at the El Sol Resource Center in Jupiter during each academic year the scholarship is received.

**Details of the Scholarships:**

Students who have completed at least one semester of study at the Wilkes Honors College may receive up to \$5000.00 in scholarship funds to be applied toward their tuition and fees. The funds may be combined with other scholarships or financial aid and may be applied to the academic year as well as the summer term. The scholarship committee will review and renew scholarships on an annual basis. Renewal will be based upon internship evaluations, letters of recommendation, and maintenance of a 3.0 GPA in the Wilkes Honors College. Annual renewal is pending expendable funds. All funds must be utilized during the academic year during which the scholarship is awarded.

**Responsibilities of the Recipients:**

While the specific responsibilities of each intern may vary, all scholarship recipients must complete a minimum of three credits (and 180 hours) of internship service for each year the scholarship is received. Interns will gain critical experience in community organization, ESL training, grant-writing, fundraising, local politics, and social service provision. At the end of the academic year, each intern must submit a written report to the grant committee detailing their experiences and accomplishments. Additionally, each

scholarship recipient will create a PowerPoint (or other multi-media) presentation that can be utilized for outreach and development for the El Sol Center and/or Corn-Maya. Each intern will be evaluated by both their internship supervisor and their internship advisor prior to receiving their final (S/U) grade for the internship credits.

## **Qualifications and Guidelines for Application:**

### ***Applicants/Recipients Must:***

- ✓ Be a full-time Wilkes Honors College student in good standing who has completed at least one semester at the Wilkes Honors College at the time of application
- ✓ Provide evidence of proficiency in Spanish and English
- ✓ Provide evidence of relevant skills (computer skills, website development, fundraising experience, etc.)
- ✓ Provide evidence of a commitment to community service
- ✓ Achieve and maintain a cumulative Wilkes Honors College GPA of 3.0 or above
- ✓ Submit scholarship application and supportive materials to the Wilkes Honors College Caribbean and Latin and American Scholarship committee prior to August 1<sup>st</sup>.

### ***Application Requirements:***

- ✓ Completed and signed application form
- ✓ Official or unofficial transcripts of academic record for all college work attempted
- ✓ At least one letter of recommendation that addresses the candidate's language abilities, work habits, and other relevant skills (the letter must be from someone who is not a member of the scholarship committee)
- ✓ A résumé detailing community service, employment history, academic achievements, skills and interests, and honors and awards
- ✓ A brief (not to exceed 500 words) essay detailing your interest in serving Florida's Latin American/Caribbean immigrant community.

H A R R I E T L . W I L K E S  
**HONORS COLLEGE**  
FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY™

**SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM  
APPLICATION FORM**

Please type or print in black or blue ink and include your full name on all attachments.

**I. Personal Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Z Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Gender:  Male  Female

Local Address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Permanent (Home) Address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Local Telephone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_

FAU Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Citizenship:  U.S. Citizen  Permanent Resident  
 Non-U.S. Citizen  Country of Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_

Race / Nation Origin:

- American Indian or Native Alaskan  
 Asian or Pacific Islander  
 Black (non-Hispanic)  
 Hispanic  
 White (non-Hispanic)

Native Language: \_\_\_\_\_

If other than English, how many years have you studied and spoken English? \_\_\_\_\_

Other languages studied and spoken \_\_\_\_\_ Years? \_\_\_\_\_

## II. Family Information

Please indicate the highest level of each parent's or legal guardian's educational background:

Father / Legal Guardian:

High School:  None  Some  Diploma  
College:  None  Some  Degree Type of Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother / Legal Guardian:

High School:  None  Some  Diploma  
College:  None  Some  Degree Type of Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

## III. Academic Information

High School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

SAT Score: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ ACT Score: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Current FAU Standing:  Freshman  Sophomore  Junior  Senior

If Declared, Concentration of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Credits Completed: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Credits Enrolled: \_\_\_\_\_

Overall Wilkes Honors College GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Semester: \_\_\_\_\_

## IV. Financial Information

Please attach a brief (less than two page) statement detailing special circumstance or financial need.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please include the following items with your application (see Application Requirements for details):

Transcripts  
Letter(s) of recommendation  
Résumé  
Essay  
Two-page (maximum) document on special circumstances or financial need

Please mail or hand-deliver your complete application to:

Dawn McCreary  
HC 107  
Wilkes Honors College of Florida Atlantic University  
5353 Parkside Drive  
Jupiter, FL 33458  
(561) 799-8103