SUNY Potsdam Mt. Emmons Scholarship Application

Named after the most difficult mountain to climb in the Adirondacks, the Mt. Emmons Scholarship is the most prestigious scholarship offered at SUNY Potsdam. Each year five awards will be granted to entering freshmen.

Applicants must have a minimum SAT score of 1300 (Critical Reading and Math) or ACT score of 29, and a minimum high school GPA of 92. Additionally, the selection committee will consider a history of participation and leadership in extracurricular activities and community service. NCAA Division III regulations prohibit the consideration of high school athletic ability, athletic participation, athletic leadership or athletic performance in awarding scholarships.

These scholarships include in-state tuition and standard fees, a $500 book stipend, residence hall waiver and board, and are renewable for three subsequent years by maintaining a minimum of a 3.25 cumulative GPA and continuous full-time enrollment at SUNY Potsdam. Optional and course or program specific fees are not included in the scholarship and are the responsibility of the student. The residence hall waiver is based on the charge for a standard double room. Selected applicants will be required to complete a personal interview.

The Mt. Emmons Scholarship may not be used in conjunction with the SUNY Potsdam Freshman Scholarship. Mt. Emmons applicants with a FAFSA on file for the application year will automatically be considered for the SUNY Potsdam Freshman Scholarship if they are not awarded the Mt. Emmons Scholarship. A separate SUNY Potsdam Freshman application does not need to be submitted.

All scholarship applicants must:

- Be accepted for admission to SUNY Potsdam by February 15, to enroll full time for the following fall semester.
- Have at least an SAT score of 1300 (Critical Reading and Math), or ACT score of 29; and have at least a cumulative high school GPA of 92.
- Complete this scholarship application, including the Personal Statement, and arrange for two scholarship recommendations.

All application requirements must be on file by February 15 prior to the entering fall semester. It is the student’s responsibility to check if the application is complete.
Please print or type.

Name_____________________________Social Security Number(optional) _______________

Address________________________________________________________________________

City, State and zipcode____________________________________________________________

Phone number_________________________ E-mail Address_____________________________

Expected/Anticipated Major________________________________________________________

1. Please list any community service activities in which you have participated. Please include the dates you served.

2. Please list extracurricular involvement, clubs, etc. and any leadership roles you have held. Include dates of involvement and positions held.

3. Please list your most recent employment experience, including dates.

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Current Cumulative GPA_________ SAT and/or ACT score(s) ____________ Class Rank________

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Personal Statement

Please write a 250-500 word statement responding to one of the following questions. 
(Please attach pages to this application)

1. Tell us about yourself, your reasons for applying to SUNY Potsdam and your reasons for seeking a college education.

2. Write on any topic of importance to you.

Any scholarship awarded based on information from this form may be cancelled if the information provided by the student is found to be inaccurate.

I have read the above statement and certify that the information I have provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

____________________________________  __________________
Student Signature  Date

Return to:
Kelly M. Crosbie
Scholarship Coordinator
SUNY Potsdam Financial Aid Office
44 Pierrepont Ave
Potsdam, NY 13676
finaid@potsdam.edu
(Tel) 315-267-2162 (Fax) 315-267-3067
Scholarship Recommendation Form

Please be sure to submit two completed Scholarship Recommendations with this application.

Applicant:
Please select a teacher, guidance counselor or administrator to provide a separate written recommendation in support of your application.

Reference: This is a highly competitive and prestigious scholarship. Please address the criteria listed below in your letter. Be sure to include any additional information that you feel should be considered by the scholarship committee. Please submit your letter of recommendation in a sealed envelope to either the Scholarship Coordinator at the address listed below or the applicant (if given to the applicant, please sign along the flap of the sealed envelope). You may also fax the letter to 315-267-3067 or email it to finaid@potsdam.edu from your school or college account.

- Relationship to applicant
- Scholastic achievement, intellectual ability
- Ability to analyze a problem and formulate a solution
- Oral communication skills, written communication skills
- Leadership, creativity
- Ability to work effectively with others (including faculty, staff, and students)
- Cooperation, dependability
- Motivation, self discipline
- Initiative, integrity

All forms must be on file in the SUNY Potsdam Financial Aid Office by February 15.
Please return this form to the applicant or Financial Aid Office c/o
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