**Women Scholarship Endowment Application Form (Undergraduate Applicants)**

The Overall Goal of the Women Scholarship Endowment Activity is to assist Afghan women in obtaining a university or graduate education in a science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) field of study. This education will assist in overcoming barriers to employment, raising their incomes, and in developing leadership roles within their families, communities, and in both public and private sector organizations.

**Please read through this entire document to familiarize yourself with the process and ensure your eligibility before applying. Make sure to submit the application by the deadline. Attention to detail is imperative for a successful application; incomplete or late applications will not be accepted. The Board of the Women Scholarship Endowment office may contact you to request additional information.**

**Eligibility**

In order to receive this scholarship, a candidate must meet the basic eligibility requirements outlined below. An applicant must:

* Be female
* Be an Afghan National
* Have been accepted to a public or private University in Afghanistan or regional University to study a STEM or STEM related major
* Not be on academic or disciplinary probation
* Meet the below grade requirements
* New Undergraduate Student: Have a minimum cumulative grade point of 2.7on a scale of 4.0 CGPA or 75% on a percentage scale from her high school studies.
* Existing Undergraduate Student: Have a minimum cumulative grade point of 3.0 on a scale of 4.0 CGPA or a percentage scale of 80% from her undergraduate university studies.
* New Graduate Student: Have a minimum cumulative grade of 80% on a percentage scale or 3.0 CGPA on a 4.0 scale from their undergraduate university studies.
* Existing Graduate Student: Have a minimum cumulative grade of 80% on a percentage scale or 3.0 CGPA on a 4.0 scale from their graduate studies.

**Evaluation Criteria**

Applications will initially be reviewed for completeness. Incomplete applications will not be evaluated. Completed applications will be evaluated on the following criteria:

* Academic performance
* Statement of Purpose and Objective Letter
* Letters of Recommendation
* Involvement in extra-curricular (non-academic) activities
* Preference will be shown to women studying a field in science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) over those studying a STEM adjacent topic.
* Preference will be given to applicants from more rural areas.

Once applications have been evaluated, the top candidates will be invited to interview. Interviews will be evaluated on the following criteria:

* Self-Presentation, confidence, professionalism
* Enthusiasm, motivation and commitment to a career in STEM
* Interpersonal and communication skills
* English Proficiency (graduate students only)

***To be considered for a Spring 2020 scholarship, applications are due 31 December 2019 (10 Jaadi 1398).***

Please **type** or **print** your answers.

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| **Personal Information** | | |
| 1 | Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ First Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| 2 | Father’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Mother’s Name (optional): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| 3 | Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Tazkira Number (National ID):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| 4 | Mailing/physical Address: Street: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  City: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |
| 5 | Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |
| 6 | Date of Birth: Month/Day/Year \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |
| 7 | High School attended or presently attending: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |
| 8 | Average Percentage of last three years of high school: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  (Your most recent **attested** school transcript required) | |
| 9 | Anticipated graduation date (if not yet): Month/Day/Year \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |

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| **University Information** | |
| 10 | I will be attending the following University in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  City: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **Proof of acceptance** or current student enrollment from the above university is required prior to receipt of funds |
| 11 | What STEM specialty/major do you plan to pursue or are pursuing? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| 12 | If you are already enrolled:   * Cumulative Grade Point Average Percentage: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (On a 4.0 scale) OR * Percentage: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (On a scale of 100) * Attendance Rate \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   Attach proof of CGPA. Your most recent **officially attested** transcript is required. |
| 13 | How many hours of credit will you be taking per semester? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| 14 | Estimated date of graduation: Month/Day/Year \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

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| **If regional (out of country) universities selected:** | | | | |
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| Did you pass the requirement of the university?  **Proof of acceptance**/enrollment from the above university is required prior to receipt of funds | Yes | No |
| Do you conform to keep WSE harmless of any additional cost for your travel and accommodation which will occurs during your study? | Yes | No |
| Do you confirm that WSE will only pay your tuition fee agreed with your university to their account and pay you the fixed fee of living cost? | Yes | No |

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| **Family Information:** | |
| 16 | **Parent’s Information**  Father’s Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Education level: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Contact (phone): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (email): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  If employed:  Job title: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Employer Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Full Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Contact (phone): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (email): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Mother’s Full Name: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Education level: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Contact (phone): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (email): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  If employed:  Job title: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Employer Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Full Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Contact (phone): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (email): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **Husband information, in case you are married:**  Husband’s Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Education level: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Contact (phone): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (email): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **If employed:**  Job title: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Employer Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Full Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Contact (phone): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (email): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| 17 | What is gross annual household income of your parents/husband from all sources? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  (It can include earning from full or part-time work, properties, letting or rent, pension, etc…) |
| 18 | How many siblings/children do you have that your parents/husband support?  Parents support: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_sister(s) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_brother(s)  Husband support: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ daughter(s) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ son(s) |

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| **List of Expected Expenditure** | | |
| 19 | List expenses you expect to incur per semester or quarter: | |
| A. | Tuition: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| B. | Admission Fee: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| C. | Books: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| D. | Room & Board: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| E. | Transportation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| F. | Food: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| G. | Other expenses: (Describe below under comments) |
| Comments: | | |
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| 20 | List other financial assistance you are or you will receive per semester or quarter: | |
| A. | Personal: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| B. | Other Scholarship(s): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(**Describe below under comments) |
| C. | Grants: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| C. | Student Loan(s): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| D. | Other Financial Resources: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Comments: | | |

**Use an additional sheet if you need more room to item 24**

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| **Statement of Purpose** |

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| 21. | Please limit your response to 500-700 words  **It should tell the selection committee who you are, what has made you interested in pursuing a STEM major, your professional interests, where you plan to go from here, and how the scholarship will help you?** |

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| 22. | **List any academic honors, awards and memberships (Attach certificates if available)**  Showing one or more of these activities will add bonus point to the application. However, do not necessarily determine the decision on your application) |

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| 23  . | **List your community service activities, athletics, hobbies, outside interests, and extracurricular activities if you have any.**  (Showing one or more of these activities will add bonus point to the application. However, do not necessarily determine the decision on your application) |

The following items must be attached to this application in order for the application to qualify to be reviewed by the scholarship committee. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

* **Application form**
* **Statement of purpose**
* **Two reference letters**
* **Admission letter**
* **If new student, most recent official high school transcript**
* **If enrolled, your current university transcript**

### STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I fully understand that providing wrong information will disqualify me from the process and granting of scholarship.

Signature of scholarship applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

### REMEMBER

#### Please return all required materials before closing date December 31, 2019

#### Late applications will not be accepted.