Member Advisory
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Scholarships, travel awards available to students attending HACU-member institutions

HACU Scholarship Program accepting scholarship applications
-- Deadline is May 25

The Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU) is now accepting online applications for its Scholarship Program until May 25, 2012. To apply to the program students must meet the following criteria:

- Enrolled at a HACU-member college or university in the U.S. or Puerto Rico at the time applications are completed and scholarships awarded.
- Demonstrate financial need and be eligible for Federal Financial Aid (student must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident).
- Meet criteria for specific scholarships to which they are applying.
- Applications and supporting documents must be submitted by Friday, May 25, 2012. Scholarships will be awarded in the fall for the 2012-13 academic year.

The following scholarships are available:

- Aetna Nursing Scholarship - Two $2,500 scholarships are available to full- and part-time undergraduate and graduate students majoring in (pre-) nursing.
- NASCAR Wendell Scott, Sr. Scholarship - Four $3,300 scholarships are available to full-time undergraduate and graduate students majoring in business, engineering, public relations, mass media, technology, sports marketing, and marketing/management.
- Travelers Insurance Scholarship - Three $5,000 scholarships are available to full-time undergraduate students majoring in accounting, computer engineering, computer science, finance, general business, general management, human resources, and networking (IT).
- United Health Foundation (UHF)/HACU Scholarship - Twenty-two $2,000 scholarships are available to full-time undergraduate or graduate Hispanic students majoring in health-related fields.

For more information about the HACU Scholarship Program, click here.


Travel Award Program seeks applicants -- Deadline is April 30

Applications are now open for students attending HACU-member institutions for the Dándole Alas a Tu Éxito/Giving Flight to Your SuccessT ¡Lánzate! Travel Award Program.
The program provides students who travel away from home to pursue a higher education the opportunity to apply for a chance to receive a travel award. Eligibility requirements for interested students are listed below.

Award recipients may be awarded 1-4 roundtrip tickets for the student and/or parent to use when traveling to/from the college/university. The complimentary airline ticket(s) can be used for travel to any of the Southwest Airlines destinations.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Student must be enrolled in a college or university away from their designated home.
- Student must be in good academic standing with a minimum 2.5 GPA and show financial need. 
  
  *HACU will verify academic standing and financial need with the respective universities after the selection committee makes their final recommendations, prior to final selection and distribution of the travel award to the student.*

- Applicants must be 18 years old or older and a legal U.S. resident.
  
  *All federal government regulations related to air travel and Transportation Security Administration rules must be adhered to, including but not limited to producing a valid government issued photo ID for air travel.*

- One application per student must be submitted by the specified deadline (April 30).
- Needed travel must be to/from Southwest Airlines destinations.
- Student should specify extent of financial need or constraints. Click here for full program details.