



GAMMA CHAPTER 2022-2023 STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2023

Objective:

Women in Leisure Services, Gamma Chapter is proud to offer a scholarship program to assist in the development of women in the field of Recreation and Leisure Services. This program provides support and recognition to women for their personal and professional enrichment through education and professional service. Student scholarships will be awarded based upon the qualifications of the applicant, as determined by the Scholarship Committee, and range up to \$1,000.

Eligibility:

1. Applicant must live, work, or attend school in the Gamma Chapter boundaries (Los Angeles/Orange/ San Bernardino/Riverside Counties).
2. Applicant must be pursuing a graduate or undergraduate degree in Recreation, Leisure Studies, Human Services, Public Administration, or any closely related field at an accredited college or university.
3. Applicant must maintain a full-time student status of 12 semester units or more (or quarter equivalent) OR a part-time status of 6 semester units or more (or quarter equivalent) and working and/or volunteering in a recreation/leisure services setting.
4. Graduate students must maintain 9 semester units for full-time student status or 3 semester units and be working a minimum of 10 hours per week for part-time status.
5. Minimum GPA of 2.5.
6. Minimum of one (1) year experience in a paid or volunteer recreation setting.

Requirements:

1. Completed student scholarship application.
2. Professional resume.
3. Most recent transcripts and/or grade report.
4. Two (2) completed “Recommendation Forms.” One form must be completed by a faculty member or instructor; the other form can be completed by a current work or volunteer supervisor.
5. Submit a typed essay (minimum of 500 words) answering the following questions:
 - Why are you studying Recreation (or any closely related field) and/or considering the field of Recreation as a career?
 - Please share your professional goals you wish to attain after completing your degree. How will this scholarship benefit you in attaining your professional and personal goals?
 - How does Women in Leisure Services (WILS) benefit women in the field of recreation?
6. Must participate and sit on a Gamma event committee during 2023-2024.
7. Submit headshot photo to be utilized for award presentation if selected for scholarship.
8. Must complete and submit a WILS Membership application if not a current WILS Member.

Application Submission and Selection Process Information:

- Required documents must be received by **Monday, April 17, 2023**.
Mail to: Attn: Laura Murphy, WILS Scholarship Chair
City of Irvine, 14321 Yale Avenue, Irvine, CA 92604
Email to: lmurphy@cityofirvine.org
- Applications will be reviewed and rated by the Women in Leisure Services – Gamma Scholarship Committee.
- Student Scholarship applications will be rated on the basis of overall GPA, application, presentation, resume content, teacher and supervisor recommendation, and essay.
- Candidates with the best qualifications will be invited to an oral interview that is tentatively scheduled between 8 a.m.-5 p.m., **via Zoom the week of May 1-5, 2023**.
- The recipients of the scholarships will receive a one-year membership to WILS Gamma Chapter (if currently a member they will receive membership renewal) and be invited as guests to attend the Annual Awards and Installation Banquet that will be held **Thursday, August 17, 2023**.

For more information, please contact Scholarship Committee Chair Laura Murphy, at lmurphy@cityofirvine.org or at (949) 724-6887.



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Personal Information

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Are you a current WILS Member? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Education Information:

College Currently Attending: _____

Major: _____ Minor (If applicable): _____ Type of degree: _____

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____ # of Units in Progress: _____ # of Units Completed: _____

Major GPA: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____

Work/Volunteer Experience:

Current Employer/Volunteer Agency: _____ Title: _____

Dates of Employment: _____ # of Hours Worked Per Week: _____

Name of Supervisor: _____ Contact Phone Number: _____

Job Duties: _____

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Volunteer and Professional Organizations:

Please list any professional organizations you are currently affiliated with, such as WILS, CPRS, etc.:

Please list any previous scholarships, awards, or honors received:

Please list any on-campus clubs or organizations you are a member:

Please list any other extracurricular activities or volunteer work you are involved with:

Scholarship recipients must participate on a Gamma Chapter programs committee for the 2023-2024 Year. If selected as a recipient, what committee would you assist with serving on? *Please select from below.*

PROGRAMS COMMITTEES

- ☐ **Scholarships Committee* (Ongoing)** This committee is responsible for selecting the award recipients for the various scholarships given at the Awards and Installation banquet and to submit WILS Grant Applications to the Board for approval throughout the year. Committee members can expect to spend time reviewing and scoring applications during the application period, plus additional time interviewing applicants.

*Please note that those who intend to apply for a scholarship the following year, cannot serve on the scholarship committee.

- ☐ **Women's Conference (TBD)** The Women's Conference is an annual event which brings speakers from a variety of backgrounds, including recreation, government, health and wellness, and more, to present on topics of interest for our members. Committee members can expect to commit a few hours of their time per month, including attending committee meetings. The committee's time commitment may increase closer to the Conference. Committee members are expected to work the Conference as a host.

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- ☐ **Fundraising Committee (Ongoing)** Assist with fundraising efforts for events and scholarships, including soliciting raffle prizes.

ANNUAL SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEES

- ☐ **Networking Night (September)** Networking opportunity for professionals to gather and discuss trending industry topic(s) while socializing and meeting other professional in the industry.

- ☐ **Food for Thought (November)** This fun and quick event is a great way to meet other members. The 90-minute format include a meal and an educational program. (e.g. tour, guest speakers, group activities etc.)

- ☐ **Spring Social (TBD)** This event welcomes Life Members, Past Presidents, and active members to meet and socialize. A fundraiser will take place to support Student Scholarships.

- ☐ **Awards and Installation Banquet (August)** The event includes the de-installation of out-going board members, installation of incoming officers, recognition of new members, the year in retrospective slide show, presentation of awards and presentation of scholarships.



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I certify that all information submitted is accurate and complete:

X_____

Signature

Print Name

Date



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As a key component to the success of our Scholarship Program, recipients of our scholarships are expected to be good students, responsible, reliable, hardworking, and well-rounded individuals capable of working well with others. In order to ensure these qualities, we require each applicant to submit a recommendation, which will be considered when her application is reviewed. This evaluation is a confidential document, which will help us determine the individual's strengths and weaknesses. Please be sure to record some of your own personal comments, as this could be a determining factor in whether or not an individual will be awarded a scholarship. Your time and thoughts are greatly appreciated. Please contact Laura Murphy at lmurphy@cityofirvine.org or (949) 724-6887 with any questions.

Scholarship Applicant's Name: _____

Please rate on a scale of 1 to 5:

1= Needs Improvement
4= Above Average

2= Below Average
5= Outstanding

3= Average

1 2 3 4 5

Ability to communicate written and orally

Attitude towards peers, coworkers, and/or professors/instructors

Ability to work well with others

Recognition of personal responsibilities

Demonstrates leadership ability

Models professional standards

Maintains a positive attitude

Demonstrates strong interpersonal, and organizational skills

Will represent WILS with dedication and determination

Overall recommendation: ☐ RECOMMEND ☐ DO NOT RECOMMEND

Please use the space provided for additional comments (attach additional page if needed):

Rater's Name: _____ Title: _____

School/Organization: _____ Email Address: _____

Rater's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Women in Leisure Services Chi Kappa Rho, Inc. – Gamma Chapter New Membership Application

2022-2023

SECTION I: Membership Categories

Please check the membership category for which you are applying.

Please note- Membership forms/payments received after February 2023 will be applied to the following 2023-2024 Membership year.

☐ **Active Member – \$45 for the first year** (\$35 for each year thereafter)

Those employed on a full or permanent part time year-round basis, in the field of recreation services or related field (private, commercial or governmental). Active Members are extended full voting privileges and have the right to hold Chapter and/or National office.

☐ **Associate Member – \$30 per year**

Those who are preparing to enter the field of recreation services, or who are engaging in the profession of recreation services and are not yet eligible for Active Membership status. Membership status does not include the right to vote or hold Chapter and/or National office, but Associate members can serve on committees.

☐ **Friend of Gamma Member – \$25 per year**

Any individual wishing to support the Chapter. This membership shall not be affiliated with the National Organization. Membership status does not include the right to vote or hold Chapter and/or National office, but Friend members can serve on committees.

SECTION II: Member Information

Name:	
Job Title:	
Email Address:	
Employer:	
Mailing Address:	
City:	Zip:
Work Phone:	FAX Number:
Cell Phone:	Birthday:

SECTION III: Professional Work Experience (Begin with most recent)

Agency:	Title:
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SECTION IV: Education (Begin with most recent)

University or College:	College Major:	Degree or Units:

SECTION V: Questionnaire

What is/are the reason(s) you would like to become a member of Women in Leisure Services?

Do you know any current members of Women in Leisure Services? If so, please list them.

Women in Leisure Services (WILS) would like to include a brief article in our quarterly newsletter introducing you to the membership. Please tell us a little about yourself, by answering the following questions:

What made you decide to go into the field of Recreation or Leisure Services?

If you could have any superpower, what would it be?

What is your hidden talent?

What is one word that describes you?

What are you looking forward to as a new WILS member?

Active Members are encouraged to get involved by serving on a committee/program/event. This is a wonderful way to meet other members and become a part of this organization. **Please check** one or more committees in which you are interested in serving. Our Committee Coordinator will reach out to you with planned dates/times once the schedule is set for the year to confirm availability.

- Chair or Co-Chair:** Oversee and are the main contacts of the entire event. Direct contact with the Director of Committees/Board.
- Food/Venue:** In charge of booking a venue, event set-up, and food.
- Special Speakers/Topics/ Script:** Seek out and is main point of contact with speakers/presenters. In charge of event script.
- Decorations/Fundraising:** Support with event themes/ topics, decorations, day-of-event set-up.
- RSVPs or Registration:** Handles event’s RSVPs, payment verifications and follow-ups, and day-of-event check-ins.

☐ **Networking Night (Date/s TBD)**
 Networking opportunity for professionals to gather and discuss trending industry topics(s) while socializing and meeting other professionals in the industry.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Speakers	<input type="checkbox"/> Registration (EventBrite)
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☐ **Winter/Spring Social (TBD)**
 This event is a social that welcomes all members to enjoy a 2-hour timeframe together. The Past Presidents and Life members are recognized and a fundraiser will take place to support Student Scholarships.

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Membership dues are payable by Check or Credit Card. Dues include membership in Gamma Chapter through August 31, 2023 and all new Active members will receive a membership pin and welcome packet.

Should you have any questions, contact Vice President Chuy Sandoval / csandoval@cityofmissionviejo.org

Online credit card payments are now available at www.wils-gamma.com (Click on Join WILS Today button)

Please make checks payable to: [Women in Leisure Services-Gamma Chapter](#).

Completed application and payment may be mailed to:

Attn: Chuy Sandoval
 Norman P. Murray Center
 24932 Veterans Way
 Mission Viejo, CA 92692