



APPLICATION FOR PRCUA EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE 2026-27 ACADEMIC YEAR

Requirement Checklist:

- Complete applications must be postmarked or emailed on or before **June 19, 2026**, to be considered.
- Application must be typed. Final page must be signed in pen or with an electronic signature.
- OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS must be forwarded by the university registrar **directly to PRCUA**. Transcript must be postmarked or emailed on or before **June 19**.
- Signed letter of recommendation verifying student's active celebration of Polish heritage. The letter *cannot* come from a family member. Letters must be in English or accompanied by a translation. Unsigned letters will not be accepted.
- Signed letter of recommendation verifying student's active community service must be included. The letter *cannot* come from a family member. Letters must be in English or accompanied by a translation. Unsigned letters will not be accepted.
- Applicants must be full-time sophomores, juniors, and seniors enrolled in undergraduate studies or students enrolled in graduate or professional degree programs. Full-time enrollment shall conform to the guidelines established by the Federal Financial Aid Program (a minimum of twelve credit hours for day students or eight credit hours for evening students). Part-time graduate or professional students are eligible.
- All applicants must either be United States citizens or permanent residents.
- Please provide a recent high-resolution *headshot* for marketing purposes (min. 300 dpi, at least 2"x3").

Incomplete applications will not be considered or returned. Awards will be mailed directly to recipients for delivery to educational institution. In the event of student transferring schools, student is required to notify PRCUA prior to August 1, 2026. For additional information, please contact us at (773) 782-2630 or visit www.PRCUA.org/scholarships.

Applications and all required documents may be submitted by email to scholarships@prcu.org.

1. APPLICANT INFORMATION

FIRST (MI) LAST NAME _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE _____

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PHONE NUMBER

PERSONAL EMAIL _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____

US CITIZEN (CHECK ONE)

YES NO

ARE YOU CURRENTLY A PRCUA MEMBER?

YES NO

HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED A PRCUA SCHOLARSHIP?

YES NO

PERMANENT RESIDENT

IF YES, SOCIETY # _____

YEAR(S) RECEIVED _____

2. SCHOOL INFORMATION

NAME OF SCHOOL _____

BURSAR'S ADDRESS _____

MAJOR COURSE OF STUDY _____

EXPECTED GRADUATION DATE _____	() _____	ENROLLMENT STATUS (CHECK ONE)
	PHONE NUMBER OF SCHOOL	<input type="checkbox"/> FULL-TIME <input type="checkbox"/> PART-TIME
YEARLY TUITION (ESTIMATE) _____	CURRENT YEAR (CHECK ONE)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> SOPHOMORE <input type="checkbox"/> JUNIOR <input type="checkbox"/> SENIOR <input type="checkbox"/> GRAD STUDENT - YEAR _____	
CURRENT CUMULATIVE GPA (MINIMUM 3.0/4 OR 4.0/5 GPA REQUIRED) _____	STUDENT ID NUMBER _____	

3. INTERVIEW

Please answer the following questions in the space provided. Changing the embedded formatting is not permitted and will lead to disqualification. Do not attach any additional sheets or pages to this application form.

1. College is a time for personal development and learning to overcome new challenges as young adults. Describe a daunting challenge you've encountered during your collegiate studies and how you approached resolving it.

2. As the United States celebrates its 250th anniversary, reflect on the contributions of Polish Americans to the nation's history, culture, or progress. How does your heritage inspire you to continue this legacy?

3. Discuss how your Polish heritage and American identity work together to shape who you are and how you contribute to your community.

4. Customs and traditions are passed down through generations and between social circles. What is one Polish custom or tradition among your family and friends which you particularly enjoy celebrating and wish to pass on to the next generation?

4. ESSAY

For generations, Polish fraternal organizations like the PRCUA have assisted members in overcoming unexpected events through financial protection and responsible money management. Why is financial planning important for family stability and strength in the community, and how can tools like life insurance and annuities contribute? Limit your response to 600 words.

5. SIGNATURE

I attest that the statements made in this application are true and complete to the best of my knowledge and hereby authorize the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America to investigate any and all statements and matters contained herein. I understand that providing false, misleading information or plagiarized essay answers on this application may result in permanent disqualification from participation in **any** PRCUA Scholarship program.

I understand that my application must be complete and submitted by the deadline of June 19 to be considered for a scholarship. I understand the transcript documents submitted must be **official**.

I give PRCUA permission to use my photograph for marketing purposes.

SIGNATURE

DATE

Note: Please use the "Fill & Sign" feature on Adobe Acrobat Reader to complete signature. Do not type in name. If unable to complete electronic signature, print final application page and sign in pen. Send scanned final page with completed application.