

The Latino Scholarship is open to Governors State University students who meet the criteria below. The scholarship award is \$1000.00 (\$500.00 per semester). The deadline for submitting applications is July 1 for the Fall Semester and October 1 for Spring Semester.

**Criteria**

- ✦ At least one parent must be of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central American, South American or of other Latino ancestry regardless of race.
- ✦ Must be enrolled in at least 12 credit hours per semester.
- ✦ Must be admitted to a degree seeking program at GSU.

**Initial Application Procedures**

- ✦ Applicants must complete application.
- ✦ The applicant must submit a personal statement that is no more than two type-written pages (double space) describing a brief statement explaining the applicant's financial need and: 1) the applicant's academic and professional goals and how receiving this scholarship will help him/her achieve those goals; 2) a description of the applicant's community service and/or extracurricular activities; and 3) how his/her leadership skills will help increase the Latino student involvement on campus.
- ✦ The application must include two letters of recommendation from persons who are knowledgeable about the applicant's academic potential and/or professional demeanor.
- ✦ The applicant must be admitted to GSU by the scholarship application deadline.
- ✦ The applicant, (if reapplying), must provide proof that he/she is enrolled for a minimum of 12 credit hours.
- ✦ Completed applications must be submitted to the Latino Scholarships Committee no later than July 1 for Fall Semester or October 1 for Spring Semester.

**Obligations of the Scholarship Recipient**

- ✦ This scholarship award is a one-time tuition waiver divided between the Fall and Spring semester of the academic year.
- ✦ If you are a past-recipient of this scholarship you must:
  - Have at least 12 credit hours per semester.
  - Be an active participant in a GSU club or organization.
  - As a Latino student leader you must plan and implement one student campus activity;
  - Be in good academic standing
- ✦ Failing to meet any of the above obligations may result in scholarship recipient losing his/her scholarship.

All scholarship applications should be submitted to the **Latino Scholarship Committee**:

**Governors State University  
Attn: Kristy Goodwin, Director of Recruitment & Outreach  
1 University Parkway  
University Park, IL 60484**

**Latino Scholarship Application**

Please Print or Type

GSU ID: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: [Click here to enter text.](#) Last Name: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Address: [Click here to enter text.](#)

City: [Click here to enter text.](#) State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

GSU Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA High School, or Transfer: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Semester and Year of Enrollment at GSU: Fall 20 \_\_\_\_\_ Spring 20 \_\_\_\_\_

Intended GSU Major: \_\_\_\_\_

**Previous College(s) Attended:**

Name of High School or College A	When did you attend?	Anticipated Degree or Degree Earned
1.		
2.		
3.		

Are you receiving other tuition waivers, scholarships, or tuition reimbursements?  YES  NO

If Yes, from where: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the applicable statement. I am:

- Cuban or of Cuban descent
  Mexican or of Mexican descent  
 Central or South American or of Central or South American descent
  Puerto Rican or of Puerto Rican descent  
 Other Latino origin, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**Application Checklist**

- Personal statement no more than two type-written pages (double space) describing:
  1. The applicant's academic and professional goals and how receiving this scholarship will help him/her achieve those goals;
  2. A description of the applicant's community service and extracurricular activities; and
  3. How his/her leadership skills will help increase the Latino student involvement on campus.
- A brief statement explaining the applicant's financial need.
- Two letters of recommendation from persons who are knowledgeable about the applicant's academic potential and/or professional demeanor.
- Must be admitted or enrolled at GSU by the scholarship application deadline.
- Provide proof that he/she is enrolled for a minimum of 12 credit hours at GSU.
- Completed applications must be submitted no later than July 1 for Fall Semester or October 1 for Spring Semester to the Latino Scholarship Committee:

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