



- Scholarship Name:** Association for Women in Computing Scholarship
- Founder:** Association for Women in Computing – Upstate NY Chapter
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- Purpose:** Established in 2004 this fund provides \$1,000 academic scholarships to deserving female computing students in the Upstate New York area.
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- History:** The Association for Women in Computing is a national non-profit professional organization for women and men who have an interest in information technology. The Association is dedicated to the advancement of women in the technology fields. The Upstate New York chapter was chartered in 1996 and is open to anyone interested in information technology. Find them online at [www.awc-uny.org](http://www.awc-uny.org).
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- Eligibility:** Applicants must be female and studying any form of computer science/information technology/digital media at a local 2 or 4 year college. The recipient(s) will be selected for this scholarship based on their continued enrollment in a computing program for use in their next semester/quarter tuition. Only freshman, sophomore and juniors are eligible. Applicants are eligible to win the scholarship more than once.
- The recipient(s) must be in good academic standing with a GPA of 3.0 or above. Financial need is not a requirement.
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- The Fund:** This is a restricted scholarship provided from the account of the AWC-UNY and donations from their supporters.
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- Administration:** The Association for Women in Computing – Upstate New York Chapter will administer awards to men and women, veterans, and persons with disabilities, individuals of any race, creed, religion, color, national ethnic origin, sexual orientation, age or marital status, in compliance with all appropriate legislation.

Each year, the AWC-UNY board will collect information from the applicant(s) qualified to receive the scholarship, including current hometown, grade point average and any other general statement of qualifications that are available for release. The AWC-UNY board will then independently judge and determine the final recipient(s) of the scholarship.

Application submissions are due by **Friday, April 16th, 2010**. Please **email** a copy to [scholarship@awc-uny.org](mailto:scholarship@awc-uny.org) .

The recipient(s) will be selected by Monday, April 19th, 2010. The AWC-UNY board will notify both the recipient(s) and the associated college(s) by Tuesday, April 20th, 2010.

The recipient will be invited to annual AWC IT Woman of the Year Breakfast April 29<sup>th</sup> where they will be recognized.

**Donor Contact(s):**

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Association for Women in Computing  
Upstate New York Chapter

2010 Scholarship Application Form

**Applicant Name:**

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**Sex (Female/Male):**

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**Home Address:**

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

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**Home e- mail:**

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**Currently Enrolled at:**

**Academic Year:**

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**Overall GPA:**

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**GPA in Technology Major:**

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**Essay Requirement:**

Recipient(s) must submit an essay telling us about themselves and their interest in computing. Essays should not exceed 1,000 words (approx. 5 pages double spaced). Topics for the 2010 Scholarship essay should answer the following question:

*The AWC-UNY is interested in supporting and encouraging women entering the technology field. Please write an essay that helps us understand you and what you hope to achieve by having a career in technology.*

*This essay should identify your motivation to enter the technology field, barriers you have overcome, and goals for your future in the technology fields.*

**Scholarship Application  
Evaluation**

Scholarships will be evaluated by members of the Association for Women in Computing – Upstate NY Chapter (AWC-UNY). The Scholarship will be awarded based on:

- Applicant has met all preset eligibility requirements
- (40%) Overall GPA and Technology Major GPA

- (60%) Strength of essay, including relevance of reply, organization and general writing technique. Answers must include the following information:
  - Motivation for involvement in field
  - Barriers overcome
  - Goals for future

**Signature and release:**

Please sign and date this form. Your signature indicates your agreement to release your personal information on this application to the AWC-UNY.

Your signature will also indicate your willingness to allow the AWC-UNY to share your essay as a whole or in part.

Applicant Signature:

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Date:\_\_\_\_\_