



Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated Omicron Gamma Zeta Chapter

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2022-2023 Academic Scholarship Application

The Omicron Gamma Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated will award scholarships to eligible high school seniors from the greater Houston area.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated was organized on January 16, 1920 on the campus of Howard University in Washington D.C., as the result of encouragement given to its five founders by Charles Taylor and Langston Taylor, members of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated. The five Founders: Arizona Cleaver, Fannie Pettie, Myrtle Tyler, Pearl Anna Neal, and Viola Tyler, affectionately known as the Five Pearls, formed a sisterhood to encourage the highest standards of scholarship through scientific, literary, cultural, and educational programs. In addition, they promoted service projects on college campuses and in the community, fostered sisterhood, and exemplified the ideals of finer womanhood.

On December 8, 1990, the Omicron Gamma Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority was chartered for the Clear Lake Area by nine degreed women who had become affiliated with the organization as undergraduates.

Consistent with the founding principles of *Finer Womanhood*, *Scholarship*, *Service*, and *Sisterhood*, the Omicron Gamma Zeta Chapter will award scholarships to college-bound, high school seniors who meet the below requirements:

- **Aundria Brown STEM Scholarship Award requires a GPA of 3.5 (unweighted) or above**
- **Omicron Gamma Zeta General Scholarship Awards requires a GPA of 3.3 (unweighted) or above**
- **Omicron Gamma Zeta Specially Abled Scholarship Award requires a GPA of 2.5 (unweighted) or above and an IEP (For Specially Abled Students that face several barriers, e.g. physical, mental, and psychological in pursuing studies and living with dignity)**
- **“I Matter” Scholarship Award requires a GPA of 2.7 (unweighted) or above**

Family of Omicron Gamma Zeta members (past or present) are **NOT** eligible to apply for the academic scholarship. This includes children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, siblings, in-laws, cousins, nieces and nephews.

To be considered for a scholarship award, each applicant must submit:

- A completed Academic Scholarship Application (must be typed or can be auto-filled online and printed). A copy of the application can be downloaded from the Omicron Gamma Zeta Chapter website at www.zphibogz.org
- An official sealed transcript and (IEP as applicable). (Must be sent by high school registrar to the address listed)
- Two letters of recommendation from a school counselor, teacher, employer, or community service organization representative, etc. (No letters from family members, please)

- A minimum of **30 documented** community service hours on official letterhead, to include virtual. (e.g. church nursery, nursing home, public library, tutoring)
- A 500-750 word essay (must be typed, 12 point font, Times New Roman, double spaced, and 1” margins) responding to **ALL** of the questions listed under the respective scholarship you are applying for.

For the **STEM Scholarship Award** Applicants answer **ALL** of the questions listed below:

- *Identify and explain an issue within your major that has affected the minority community. What are some of the ways you believe that this problem can be diminished or resolved?*
- *What do you think your desired profession/career will be like in 10 years?*
- *How are you currently active within STEM and how do you plan to be active in college?*

For the **General Scholarship Award** answer **ALL** of the questions listed below:

- *Identify and explain at least two issues you believe have the most detrimental impact on minority males and/or females today. What are some of the ways you believe that these problems can be diminished or resolved?*
- *What do you think your desired profession/career will be like in 10 years?*
- *What does it mean to you to be community conscious and action oriented?*

For the **“I Matter” and Specially Abled Scholarship Awards** answer **ALL** of the questions listed below:

- *Identify and explain at least two issues you believe have the most detrimental impact on minority males and/or females today. What are some of the ways you believe that these problems can be diminished or resolved?*
- *What do you think your desired profession/career will be like in 10 years?*

Failure to complete all required information will result in a disqualification.

To be eligible for consideration for a **2022-2023** scholarship award, a complete application must be post marked no later than **April 1, 2023**. Applications are to be mailed to:

ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INCORPORATED
 Omicron Gamma Zeta Chapter
Attention: Scholarship Committee
 P.O. Box 20385
 Houston, TX 77225

Applications may also be scanned in and emailed to OGZscholarship@gmail.com. Official transcripts and IEP should be mailed to the physical address above.

Interviews will be held in late March and early April for a select group of candidates. Awardees will be invited to attend a virtual or in person reception in their honor in May.

Best of luck in all your future endeavors,

Scholarship Committee
 Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated
 Omicron Gamma Zeta Chapter

Please type. Date:

Applicant's Name: _____

Address and Apt. No: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Primary Contact Number: _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Email Address: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name & Contact Number: _____

High School Name: _____

Address: _____ District: _____

Unweighted GPA: _____ / _____ SAT Score: _____ ACT Score: _____
GPA Scale

Class Rank: _____ Class Size: _____

Colleges/Universities Applying To:

1st Choice: _____

2nd Choice: _____

Organizations (Please specify any leadership roles within each):

Awards/Recognitions/Achievements (Please include year you received each):

Community Service (Please describe community service):

State your career goals:

What is your planned major?

(Please include a separate piece of paper if you need additional space to answer the questions and include the number of the question on the continuation sheet)