

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.  
Lambda Gamma Gamma Chapter  
P.O. Box 1787  
Clinton, MD 20735



February 15, 2018

Dear High School Senior,

The Lambda Gamma Gamma Chapter (LGG) of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., in conjunction with The Uplift Foundation, is soliciting your participation in our annual Colonel Charles Young Memorial Scholarship Contest.

LGG chapter was chartered at Fort Meade, Maryland, but our service community extends throughout the metropolitan DC, MD and VA areas. Our chapter is composed primarily of Military Officers, Department of Defense civilians, contractors, business owners and other professionals either retired or working in the metropolitan DC area.

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. was initially conceived to enrich the social and intellectual aspects of college life. Since our founding on November 17, 1911 at Howard University, our membership has grown to well over 200,000 members and our marketplace extended beyond the college campus and into our community.

Manhood, Scholarship, Perseverance and Uplift are the cardinal principles upon which the fraternity was founded. In keeping with the cardinal principle of Scholarship, our annual scholarship contest promotes academic excellence and community service among college bound high school seniors. This year we will award scholarships to worthy college-bound students in our local community in need of financial assistance to attend college.

Students interested in competing for the scholarships must provide the following postmarked (date stamped by the post office, no exceptions) information to the Scholarship Committee by **April 16, 2018**:

- An official copy of your high school transcript with raised seal;
- A completed scholarship application and three letters of recommendation (enclosed);
- A signed and dated certification statement (enclosed); and
- A 800 to 1200 word well-organized and double-spaced typewritten essay on this year's topic.

The essay should flow with sound ideas and facts to support the position chosen and abide by the common principles of composition. Quality of composition will be reflected in the final evaluation, especially as it adds to or detracts from the effectiveness of the essay. We want the essays to demonstrate the ability of the student to use research materials and, most importantly, to synthesize those thoughts and findings into an essay that is supported by your research.

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The evaluation criteria the Scholarship Committee will use to judge the essays is attached as an enclosure and it is certainly advisable that you use this to guide the formation of your essay.

It is our intent to recognize the winners of our scholarship at our Annual Patron Appreciation Cook-Out which will be held on Saturday August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018. **The actual monetary award will be conferred to the winner in September once written proof of their enrollment in college is received.** Note acceptance is not considered enrollment.

Please mail your completed scholarship packet to the following address:

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Lambda Gamma Gamma Chapter  
Attn.: Lawrence Shaw, Scholarship Committee Chair  
P.O. Box 1787  
Clinton, MD 20735

**Applications must be postmarked or received by the Committee by April 16th, 2018.** Additionally, all of the scholarship information may be obtained on our web site at <http://www.ques-lgg.org>.

Applicants will only be notified if you selected to receive one of our scholarships. Notifications will be made in June 2018.

If you have further questions you may email the scholarship committee at any time using this address: [LGGOPPScholarshipCommittee@gmail.com](mailto:LGGOPPScholarshipCommittee@gmail.com), or contact me at 202-641-0424 during evening and weekend hours.

Sincerely,

*Lawrence E. Shaw*

Lawrence Shaw, MS, MBA,  
U.S. Army, Lt. Colonel (Ret)  
2018 Scholarship Committee Chairman  
[Shawlawrence2015@gmail.com](mailto:Shawlawrence2015@gmail.com)

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LAMBDA GAMMA GAMMA ESSAY EVALUATION SHEET  
2018 Colonel Charles Young Memorial Scholarship

I. SUBSTANCE

- Relevance to purpose of the paper
- Controlling Idea: Unifies all major parts
- Quantity of evidence/information: Is there enough?
- Quality of evidence/information: Is it credible?
- Documentation: Writer provides appropriate credit?
- Analysis: Writer explains the evidence/connection to the thesis
- Objectivity: Addresses likely objections of questions?
- Logic: Reasoning supports conclusion?

II. ORGANIZATION

Introduction:

- Statement of the thesis statement: Precise? Complete? Vivid?
- Attention step: Creates interest?
- Announcement of parts: Reader knows what to expect?

Main Body/Major Parts:

- Major parts: Defined and simple?
- Sequencing: Effective for purpose and audience?
- Focus: Each part has a subordinate controlling idea?
- Transitions: Between parts? Between sentences?

Conclusion:

- Restatement of controlling idea?
- Closing: in concert with introduction? No new information?

III. STYLE

Coherence

- Paragraphs: unified? Logical flow? Sufficient detail?
- Sentences: sense? Emphasis? Variety?
- Words: Precise?

Efficiency

- Paragraphs: Length?
- Sentences: Length?
- Words: Simple? Brief?
- Voice: Active/passive?

IV. CORRECTNESS

- Grammar
- Spelling
- Punctuation
- Documentation: Consistent throughout the paper

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Scholarship Application for 2018

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P.O. Box 1787, Clinton, MD 20735

Submit only one application.

PLEASE TYPE

**Name (Last, First, Middle):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code):**

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**Home Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail Address (required):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Senior Awards Program (required):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Location of Senior Awards Program (required):** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Name of High School and Grade Point Average (required):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Colleges applied or accepted to:**

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**How did you hear about the scholarship?**

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**Fathers Full Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Occupation:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mothers Full Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Occupation:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of Brothers and Sisters:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of Brothers and Sisters in College:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number in High School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number in Junior High School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number in Elementary:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Personal Goals and Objectives:**

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**List of awards, honors and scholarships received:**

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**Extracurricular activities (including athletics, publications, music, debate, church, student government, part-time job etc., plus any offices held):**

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**ESSAY QUESTION (PLEASE TYPE)**  
**800 to 1200 Words**

Students should write their essay on the following topic:

- **The 15th Amendment of 1870 granted African-American men the right to vote! The Voting Rights Act of 1965 removed the barrier allowing the majority of African-Americans in the South to vote. The 19th Amendment of 1920 granted American women the right to vote.**

**According to the Center for American Women and Politics, woman ages 18-24 only had a 46% participation rate in 2016 and woman participation overall dropped from 63.7% in 2012 to 63.3% in the 2016 Presidential Election. African-American's voter participation fell, according to the US Census Bureau, to 59.6 in 2016 from 66.6% in 2012. The right to vote was a struggle for both groups to earn.**

**In an 800 to 1200-word paper essay please: (1.) Offer some historical accounts on the struggle for Women and African Americas to earn the right to vote; (2.) Identify what you see as the primary causes for the recent drop by both groups and what recommendations can you offer to help prevent future voter participation decline?**

**(Citation from two periodicals as sources is required; incomplete packages will not be graded.)**

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Please attach your TYPED essay to the application  
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Applicant: In addition to this completed and signed application, and two letters of recommendations, you must arrange with your high school to send an official and complete transcript of your high school record directly to the Chapter's address listed at the top of this application.

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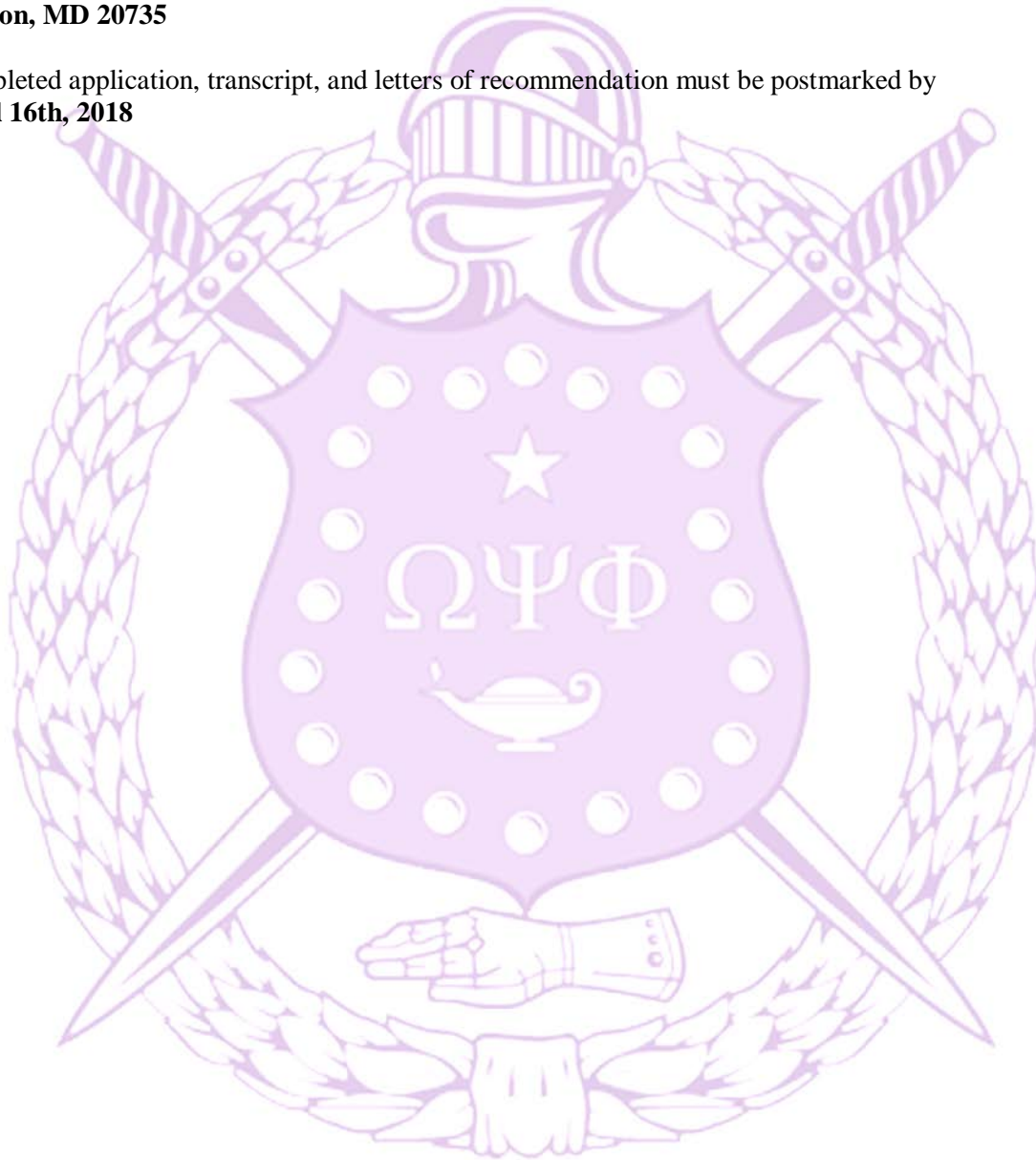
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Completed application, transcript, and letters of recommendation must be postmarked by  
**April 16th, 2018**



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CERTIFICATION STATEMENT REQUIRED

I hereby certify that all information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I further agree that if I withdraw from school or transfer to another institution during the tenure of the scholarship (if granted), that I may become ineligible for further payments.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

APPLICATION MUST BE POSTMARKED TO THE FRATERNITY ADDRESS BY: **April 16th, 2018**

ALL UNSOLICITED ENCLOSURES WILL BE DISCARDED  
(Applications that are late or incomplete will be cause for disqualification)

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**RECOMMENDATION ONE**

**Confidential**

Application for an Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Lambda Gamma Gamma Chapter, Scholarship

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Applicant's Name (Last, First, Middle): \_\_\_\_\_

Recommender's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code): \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Recommend

\_\_\_\_\_ Do Not Recommend

\_\_\_\_\_ Recommend with Reservations

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Please comment on your recommendation or give additional information about the applicant's scholastic abilities and personality you feel may be pertinent:

Lined area for providing a recommendation or additional information. The background features a large, faint watermark of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity crest.

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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**RECOMMENDATION TWO**

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Recommender's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code): \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Recommend

\_\_\_\_\_ Do Not Recommend

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**RECOMMENDATION THREE**

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Applicant's Name (Last, First, Middle): \_\_\_\_\_

Recommender's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code): \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Recommend

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Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

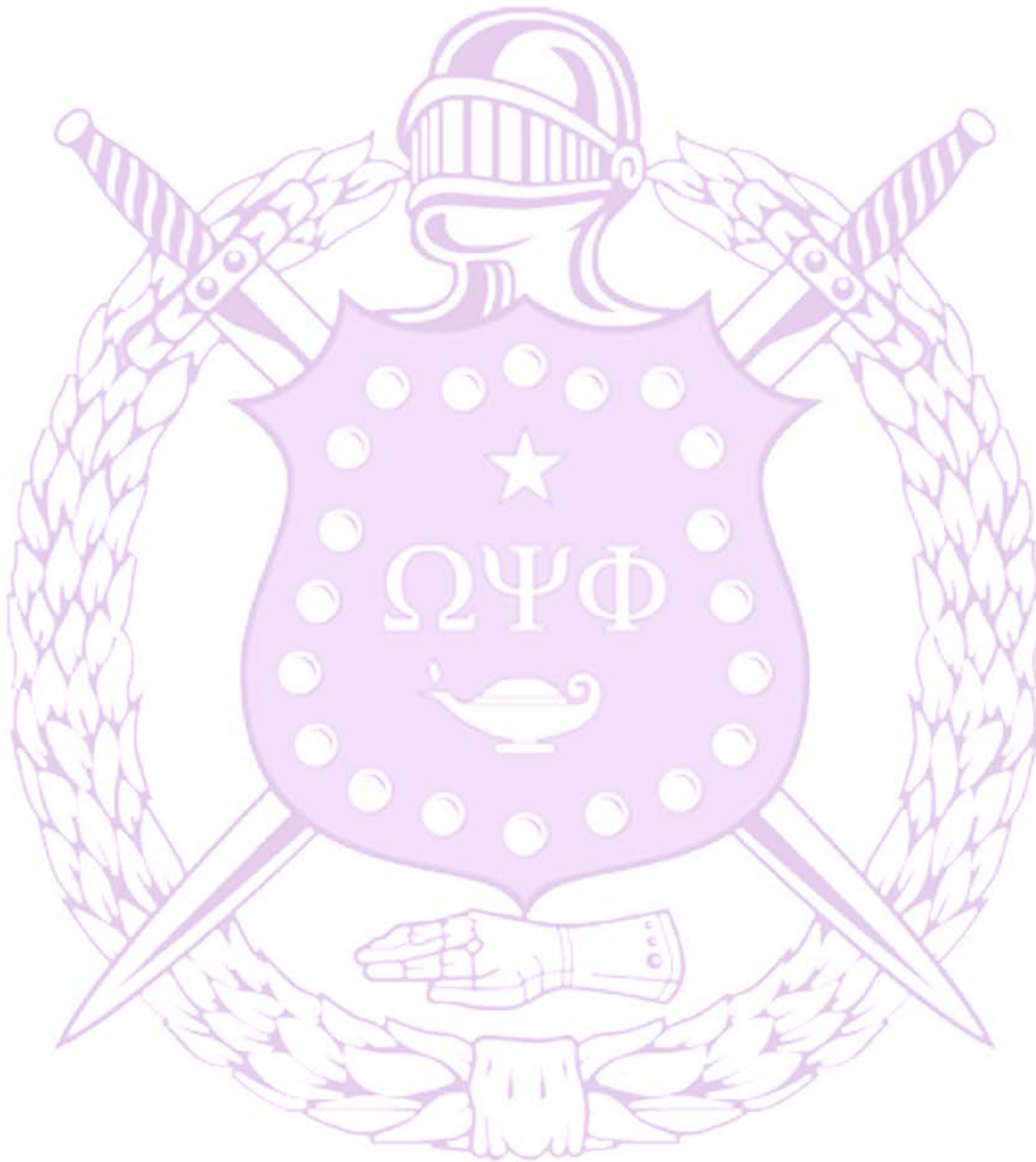
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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