

SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES



The Astrid G. Cates Scholarship

The Myrtle Beinhauer Scholarship (offered in tandem)

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Celebrating culture. Expanding horizons.



Astrid G. Cates and Myrtle Beinhauer remembered Sons of Norway youth with a special bequest in their wills to the Sons of Norway Foundation. The Sons of Norway Foundation established the Astrid G. Cates Scholarship Fund in 1984, and the Myrtle Beinhauer Scholarship became effective in 1998.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Applicants must have a certificate of completion from high school and be enrolled in post-secondary training or education (college, vocational school, or trade school), and be current members of Sons of Norway, or children or grandchildren of current Sons of Norway members in Sons of Norway districts 1–6. Sons of Norway membership must be in effect at least one calendar year prior to application.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS

Applications must be post-marked no later than March 1st each year (**Please mail all required items in one envelope. Incomplete applications will not be considered**). Sons of Norway Foundation does not accept applications via fax.

HOW MUCH IS THE AWARD?

The Sons of Norway Foundation Scholarship Committee will determine the amounts. Typically, six Astrid G. Cates Scholarship are awarded at \$1,000, and two Myrtle Beinhauer Scholarships are awarded at \$3,000. Scholarship awards will be made jointly payable to student and institution of learning. A student may be awarded a maximum of two scholarships within a five-year period.

HOW ARE THE WINNERS SELECTED?

The winners are selected by a committee appointed by the President of the Sons of Norway Foundation. The key criteria for final selection are:

CRITERIA

- Grade-point Average/Academic Potential
- Statement of education and career goals
- Benefit to Sons of Norway and wider Norwegian/American Community
- Involvement in school and community activities
- Financial Need
- Letters of Recommendation

There will be one scholarship given per Sons of Norway district 1–6. The two most qualified of all candidates will be awarded the Myrtle Beinhauer Scholarships.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SENT TO:

Sons of Norway Foundation
Attn: Cates/Beinhauer Scholarship
1455 West Lake Street
Minneapolis, MN 55408-2666

You may e-mail questions to foundation@sofn.com prior to submission.

HOW DO I APPLY?

Applicants must submit an application form by March 1st (available from www.sonsofnorway.com or Sons of Norway Foundation, Attn: Cates/Beinhauer Scholarship, 1455 West Lake Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55408). Included in this application must be information describing what you plan to study, where (include full address) and when. Please indicate related fees, your long-term career goals, your involvement in Sons of Norway, youth or community activities, and your financial need (compare cost of program with your ability to pay). Attach to the application a copy of your latest grade transcript and two letters of recommendation (written by teacher, youth leader, or someone else not related to you, but who knows you well) describing your character and abilities.

REVISION POLICY

The general conditions and procedures under which scholarship/grant awards are made may be reviewed periodically by the Sons of Norway Foundation. Applicant eligibility may be modified at the sole discretion of Sons of Norway Foundation. However, any previously-approved scholarship/grant award will not be affected by new conditions or procedures. In cases where a student has secured application materials early, it is recommended that the student check www.sonsofnorway.com in November prior to submission, making certain that no revisions have been made which will affect the upcoming grant period.



APPLICATION FORM

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E-mail and cell phone are preferred methods of communication.

(Please type or print clearly in black ink.)

1. Name _____

2. E-mail Address (personal) _____ E-mail (school) _____

3. Home Address (Street, City, Country, include postal or ZIP Code) Dates you are at this address (_____)

4. Home telephone number (_____) _____ Home E-mail _____

5. Applicant's personal address during school year. (Street, City, Country, include postal or ZIP Code) Dates you are at this address(_____)

6. Applicant's Daytime Phone (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____

7. Birthdate ____ / ____ / ____ / Age _____ Citizenship _____

8. Applicant's Sons of Norway membership number: _____

Name and membership number of parent/grandparent: _____

Lodge Name _____ District and Lodge Number _____

9. a) I plan to study: _____
major course of study

School

City/State

College bursars office # (____) _____ School website address _____

b) My long-term career goals are: _____

c) I have been actively involved in the following Sons of Norway and /or other Norwegian-related activities:

d) I have been actively involved in the following school and community activities:

e) **Financial need must be stated:** Cost of Program: \$ _____
 Ability to Pay: \$ _____
 Gap to be made up: \$ _____

Ability to Pay (Describe and give as much detail as possible):

10. My cumulative grade point average in high school is: _____ college: _____
(If different than 4.0 scale, please explain) certified transcript included.

11. I am currently working: Yes No
I am planning to work while pursuing my studies: Yes No

12. General Comments:

13. If you have previously received a scholarship from Sons of Norway Foundation, please indicate:

Name of scholarship	Year(s) received
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The criteria by which the candidates are evaluated are:

- 1) Academic potential
- 2) Statement of education and career goals
- 3) Benefit to Sons of Norway and/or the larger Norwegian-American community
- 4) Involvement in school and community activities
- 5) Financial need
- 6) Letters of recommendation

14. Please complete the following information requested **and attach:**

- a) an official copy of your latest grade transcript,
- b) two letters of recommendation (written by teacher, youth leader) describing your character and abilities.

CHECKLIST

Deadline For Application: March 1st of each year

- Application form completed and signed
- Official grade transcript
- Letters of recommendation (in sealed envelopes by the reference source)
- A recent photo (headshot) no smaller than 3" X 5"

Date _____ Signature _____

A brief written report, with photos of your experiences is welcome.

MAIL TO:

SONS OF NORWAY FOUNDATION
ATTN: CATES/BEINHAUER SCHOLARSHIP
1455 WEST LAKE STREET
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55408-2666

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PLEASE INCLUDE ALL ITEMS REQUIRED IN ONE ENVELOPE.

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