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**Founder’s Technology Scholarship - $1,000USD**

APPLICATION & INFORMATION

**HISTORY OF THE GRACE SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The Grace Scholarship Fund was founded in 2013 by Charissa Lawrence to provide academic scholarships, service opportunities and leadership experiences for young Jamaican students of outstanding promise.  The fund provides scholarship winners with the financial assistance to help them attend colleges, universities and trade schools both domestically and abroad.  Our hope is that recipients will go on to achieve exemplary success in the classrooms and in their chosen fields of expertise – all the while, making Jamaica proud!

**FOUNDER’S TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP**

The Founder’s Scholarship for Business Students is sponsored by The Grace Scholarship Fund’s Founder & Executive Director, Rissa Lawrence. Rissa has an engineering degree from Northwestern University and an MBA from The Harvard Business School. You can learn more about Rissa by reading this article published about her effort to start the Grace Scholarship Fund: <http://www.jamaicaobserver.com/magazines/career/Harvard-graduate-launches-scholarship-programme-for-Jamaicans_16759388>

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FOUNDER’S TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP**

All applicants for The Hummingbird Healthcare Scholarship must meet all of the following criteria:

1. Must be a Jamaican national and have graduated from high school in Jamaica
2. Must be currently enrolled as a full-time student at a college or university in Jamaica
3. Must be in financial need / must have experienced financial hardship in your life
4. Must be pursuing a degree in Computer Science, Software Engineering or Information Technology
5. Must attend in person scholarship reception

**SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS**

Scholarships may be used for funding related to current enrollment by the student at an accredited college or university. Students may use the scholarship funds to help cover the costs of tuition, fees, books, room and board, computers, health insurance, study abroad and other college related expenses.

**APPLICATION TIMELINE & SUBMISSION**

* Application Deadline – June 15th, 2017. No exceptions. All eligible applications are due by 11:59pm EST.
* Completed applications must be sent to: [info@gracefund.org](mailto:info@gracefund.org) The subject of the email must read “Name of Scholarship – Full Name of Applicant”. For example if your name is John Doe and you are applying for the Founder’s Technology Scholarship the subject of your email with your application should be “Founder’s Technology Scholarship – John Doe”.
* Attachments – (1) completed application (2) proof of admittance/enrollment to your college or university

**DATA PRIVACY**

The Grace Scholarship Fund is committed to maintaining the confidentiality of the application information data that you provide to us. The Grace Scholarship Fund understands and acknowledges that you have reposed trust in us to protect the confidentiality and security of all the information and data.

The Grace Scholarship Fund will not use your information and data for purposes other than this specific application review. The Grace Scholarship Fund will not sell, or otherwise disseminate or make available to third parties the information and data that you provide, in whole or in part. The Grace Scholarship Fund will restrict access to the information and data that you provide to those persons who will evaluate your information and data for purposes of determining your eligibility for, and making awards of, the financial assistance that The Grace Scholarship Fund provides. If you win a scholarship, you may be asked to feature language from your application for the use of GraceFund newsletters.

| The Grace Scholarship FundFounder’s Technology SCHOLARSHIP Application Form | | | | | | | |
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| **Applicant background Information** | | | | | | | |
| Name: | | | | | | | |
| Age: | | Home Number: | | | | Cell Number: | |
| Hometown: | | | | Male/Female (M/F): | | | |
| Current address: | | | | | | | |
| email address: | | | | | | | |
| Are you currently enrolled in college/university (Y/N)? | | | | | | | |
| **General School Information** | | | | | | | |
| Primary School Name & Address: | | | | | | | |
| High School Name & Address: | | | High School Graduation Date: | | | | |
| If requested, can you provide your high school transcript (yes or no): | | | | | | | |
| Caribbean Examinations Council (CXC) and Caribbean Advanced Proficiency Exam (CAPE) subjects taken and results (level):     |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **Subject** | **Level** | **Grade/Result** | |  |  |  | |  |  |  | |  |  |  | |  |  |  | |  |  |  | |  |  |  |   \*\*add more rows if necessary | | | | | | | |
| SAT Score (if taken): | | | ACT Score (if taken): | | | | |
| **SOCIAL MEDIA INFORMATION** | | | | | | | |
| We believe that technology is at the forefront of education and business outlets around the world. We love to see when youth are embracing technology and utilizing social media. As such, we’d like to know if/how you are engaging with social media. | | | | | | | |
| Have you liked our Facebook Page? | | | | | | | |
| Are you on Instagram (Y/N)?  If yes, are you following @gracefund (Y/N)?  If yes, what is your IG handle? | | | | | | | |
| Are you on Twitter (Y/N)?  If yes, are you following @gracefund (Y/N)?  What is your Twitter handle? | | | | | | | |
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| **HIGH SCHOOL INORMATION** | | | | | | | |
| Provide a brief description of any academic honors, awards or leadership positions during your high school years: | | | | | | | |
| Provide a brief description of volunteer service performed during your high school years: | | | | | | | |
| **UNIVERSITY INFORMATION** | | | | | | | |
| Current OR Intended College or University name: | | | | | | | |
| Start Date (or intended start date): | | | | | | | |
| Your current college personal email address (if applicable): | | | | | | | |
| Number of credits/units/courses completed (if applicable): | | | | | | | |
| Number of years completed (if applicable): | | | Expected Graduation Date: | | | | |
| Major: | | | | | | | |
| \*\*\*Please be sure to provide a copy of your transcript and proof of enrollment as an attachment\*\*\* | | | | | | | |
| **ADDITIONAL UNIVERSITY INformtaion** | | | | | | | |
| (For current college/university students) Provide a brief description of academic honors, awards or leadership positions during your college/university years:  (For current college/university students) Please provide a brief description of any volunteer service you have participated in during your college/university years: | | | | | | | |
| **Essay Resposnes** | | | | | | | |
| In 500 words or less, answer the following: Why is technology important for Jamaica?. What are your career aspirations? How do you plan on giving back to Jamaica one day? *(500 words or less):* | | | | | | | |
| As a recipient of this scholarship we will ask that you advise us on our technology and social media efforts. How would you help to promote the work of Grace Scholarship Fund? How would you help us gain more followers, likes and social media presence? (500 words or less); | | | | | | | |
| Please describe financial hardship you have experienced in your lifetime or financial hardship that you are currently experiencing: | | | | | | | |
| **Signature (please sign below):** | | | | | | | |
| Signing below is required for review of your application. Signature indicates that you hereby verify that the above information is true and correct to the best of your knowledge and belief. (Typing your name is sufficient) | | | | | | | |
| e-Signature of applicant: | | | | | | | Date: |