

# Nicholas Patterson Perpetual Fund

Let's Get Started



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# 1 Introduction

This document is the printable version of the Let's Get Started section of the <http://www.pattersonfund.foundation> Home Page.

Please Note: Instructions are subject to change.

## 2 Overview / Eligibility

### 2.1 Overview

The academic scholarships provided by the Nicholas Patterson Perpetual Fund were established under the Last Will and Testament of the late Nicholas D. Patterson. Mr. Patterson was a self-educated man, who during the course of his lifetime (he lived to 103) developed an admiration as well as an appreciation for those who studied hard and worked to try and achieve their goals through education and citizenship. The Patterson Fund scholarships are not intended to pay a student's entire tuition, but to help lessen their financial burden. Tuition assistance may include help reducing educational costs such as purchase of books, computers, supplies etc. For the fall 2020 school year scholarships will be in the amount of \$2000.

### 2.2 Eligibility

- Mr. Patterson's will dictates that all applicants for this scholarship must be residents of Erie County in New York State.
- Recipients do not have to matriculate in schools in Erie County.
- All applicants, regardless of academic standing, get equal consideration.
- Financial means is not the sole consideration.

## 3 Scholarship Selection

A Committee consisting of three members reads the scholarship applications and provides recommendations to the Trustee of the foundation as to the fitness of each applicant. No candidate will be eliminated from selection because he/she is not an outstanding student or has financial means. However, candidates who do not follow the instructions (see below) will not receive consideration. The purpose of the scholarship is to help develop the skills necessary to become hard working citizens, who upon the completion of their studies will be ready to contribute to their community and their country.

## 4 Instructions From The Administrator

In order to be considered for a scholarship you must follow the instructions completely and submit your application by the submission deadline.

- 1) We will need you to fill out forms A, B & C completely. Remember to download and save all three (3) files. You should be able to fill them out and then save them to your computer. Then you can attach them to the email when you submit them. You can also print them, fill out and scan if needed.
  - a) Form A: Applicant Information:
    - i) [Click Here To Download Form A](#)
  - b) Form B: Applicant Financial Information
    - i) [Click Here To Download Form B](#)
  - c) Form C: Parent / Guardian / Spouse Financial Information
    - i) [Click Here To Download Form C](#)
- 2) Please answer the Biographical question. No longer than one page single spaced.
  - a) Tell us about yourself, your life experiences, why the Patterson Scholarship is important to you and what differentiates you from other applicants?
- 3) Please answer ONE of the essay questions that we have asked. One page single spaced.
  - a) The stock market is at an all-time high, and the unemployment rate is at an all-time low. Yet, there are many people still struggling to survive. Is there an Affordability Crisis in America? What if any impact has this crisis had on your family, friends or people you know?  
  
OR
  - b) Will online shopping eventually cause the end of mall shopping? Will online shopping eventually cause the elimination of most retail jobs especially jobs held by students and older Americans? How do you decide whether to shop online or go to a store? Are you being fair to store employees and store owners?? Do you see a future for shopping in stores?
- 4) Please include recommendations. One is acceptable but two would be preferred. Keep in mind that we do not want old recycled recommendations!
- 5) A copy of your academic transcripts. It can be the unofficial version and there is no page limit.

\*\*\*The administrator loves one pdf with all of these items, but you can attach them all separately as well. You can also put them in the mail, but email is preferred. If you get them in earlier than the due date the administrator can go over it and make sure it is complete (hint). \*\*\*

## 5 How To Submit Your Application

- PRINTED APPLICATION
  - Mail To:
    - Nicholas Patterson Fund
    - Administrator
    - P.O. Box 192
    - Buffalo, NY 14213-0192
- ELECTRONIC APPLICATION
  - You may scan all pages into one PDF document.
  - You may submit any combination of PDF and word processing files.
    - Acceptable file formats:
      - ❖ .PDF
      - ❖ .DOC
      - ❖ .DOCX
      - ❖ .RTF
- Email To:
  - Admin@PattersonFund.foundation
  - IMPORTANT: Please Include Your Last & First Name In All Document Filenames.

## 6 Submission Deadline

- All scholarship applications must be received by **June 3rd, 2020**.

## 7 Scholarship Recipient Announcement Date

- The Patterson Fund trustees will set the scholarship recipient announcement date after all applications have been reviewed.
- This date changes from year to year based on the number of applications received.
- If you would like to be notified of this year's scholarship recipients, [CLICK HERE](#) to

sign up.

## 8 Memo To School Financial Advisers

- For your convenience, the memo to school financial advisers is made available as a downloadable PDF file.

[Click Here To Download The PDF File](#)

## 9 Questions? / Suggestion Box

### QUESTIONS?

- Questions about the scholarship application:
  - [Admin@PattersonFund.foundation](mailto:Admin@PattersonFund.foundation)
- Questions about the website:
  - [Webmaster@PattersonFund.foundation](mailto:Webmaster@PattersonFund.foundation)

### SUGGESTION BOX

- Have a suggestion for us?
  - [SuggestionBox@PattersonFund.foundation](mailto:SuggestionBox@PattersonFund.foundation)