



## Women in Defense - Michigan College Scholar

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Velocity, 6633 18 Mile Road  
Sterling Heights, MI 48314  
Web Site: [www.wid-mi.org](http://www.wid-mi.org)

### Introduction

Thank you for your interest in the College Scholar program presented by Women In Defense Michigan Chapter (WID-MI). WID, A National Security Organization, is a non-profit professional networking and development organization for women and men across Michigan who contribute to national security and defense. Formed in 2007, the Michigan Chapter seeks to strengthen and influence the defense industry by inspiring women, cultivating leadership, and growing professional relationships.

### Scholarship History

WID-MI established the College Scholar program in 2009 to encourage women to pursue careers related to the national security and defense interests of the United States, and to provide development opportunities to women already working in these fields

### Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for the College Scholar program, applicants must demonstrate an interest in pursuing a career related to national security or defense, or already be working in these fields. Candidates are eligible to receive a college scholarship twice, and must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Be a citizen of the United States
- Be a woman
- Be a resident of Michigan
- Be currently enrolled at an **accredited Michigan university or college**, either full-time or part-time
- Be a graduate or an undergraduate who has attained at least junior level status (60 credits)
- Have a minimum grade point average of **3.0**
- Demonstrate educational expenses

### Application Instructions

Applications must be completed in full and only items requested in the checklist below should be sent. Please do not include extra items such as copies of awards, certificates, photographs or resumes. Only students meeting the above listed eligibility criteria will be considered with no exceptions. Answer all applicable questions as completely as possible and follow any additional instructions listed for each section as required.



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**Application Checklist**

The full application package must be received by **August 15, 2026** and must include: **Items you**

**submit:**

- Completed application
- Proof of U.S. citizenship (passport or birth certificate, redacted)
- Attached narrative responses

**Items others submit directly to WID on your behalf:**

- Official transcripts - direct from your school(s), unofficial may be sent while waiting for official ones
- Two letters of recommendation - direct from individuals, one from a faculty/university member

For items submitted by the applicant:

All required materials should be submitted together in one email to the following email address: [scholarships@wid-mi.org](mailto:scholarships@wid-mi.org). You will receive a confirmation via email when your application is received.

For recommendation letters:

Letters should be signed and submitted directly by the author to the following email address: [scholarships@wid-mi.org](mailto:scholarships@wid-mi.org).

For official transcripts:

Unofficial transcripts can be emailed with the application in addition to the official delivered separately. Official transcripts should be mailed directly from the school to address on this application.

If you have any questions, please contact the WID-MI Scholarship Director at [scholarships@wid-mi.org](mailto:scholarships@wid-mi.org).



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**1) PERSONAL INFORMATION** Please print legibly or type.

Name  Student ID

First Middle Last

Address

Number Street

City State Zip Code

Telephone - Home  Cell/Work

Email

How did you learn about WID-Michigan College Scholar program?

Applying for a WID-Michigan scholarship for which academic year

**2) ACADEMICS**

University/College (**must be an accredited Michigan institution**)

Check enrollment status  Full Time  Part Time

If applying as a graduate student, complete the following:

Major  Credit Hours Completed  Overall GPA

If applying as an undergraduate student, complete the following:

Junior  Senior Credit Hours Completed  Overall GPA

Major  Major GPA  Minor/Add. Major

**3) DEMONSTRATION OF ACADEMIC ABILITY** Provide official academic transcripts from all post-secondary schools attended. See application instructions page.

**4) AWARDS & HONORS**



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### 5) ACTIVITIES Extracurricular, professional, community

### 6) NARRATIVES - DEMONSTRATION OF INTEREST IN A CAREER IN NATIONAL SECURITY OR DEFENSE

Attach a cover page with your name to a separate document that addresses the following short essays within an 800 word limit (total length for all sections combined). Sections (a), (b), and (c) are mandatory while (d) is optional.

- a) Statement of interest: Describe your interest in pursuing a career in national security or defense. Include a description of your long-term goals as they relate to that career.
- b) Statement of prior accomplishments: Describe what you believe have been the principal accomplishments in your life that relate to your career goals including academic, professional, or community activities.
- c) Proposed program/course emphasis: Describe the objectives of your educational program and how it relates to a national security or defense career. List your course of study for the requested period.
- d) Other considerations (Optional): List or describe any other information pertinent to your application for the Committee to review.

### 7) DEMONSTRATION OF EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES

What are your **eligible expenses** for this school year?

Tuition (\$)	<input type="text"/>
Room & Board (\$)	<input type="text"/>
Books (\$)	<input type="text"/>
Other (\$)	<input type="text"/>

Include description below:

List sources and amounts of all resources you will use for expenses this school year. Failure to disclose complete information on resources will disqualify you.

Scholarships & Grants (\$)	<input type="text"/>
Tuition & Fee Waivers (\$)	<input type="text"/>
Student Loans (\$)	<input type="text"/>
Employer Assistance (\$)	<input type="text"/>

### Financial aid officer at your school

Name	<input type="text"/>	Position	<input type="text"/>
Address	<input type="text"/>		
Telephone	<input type="text"/>	Email	<input type="text"/>

Applicant's Name



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**8) EMPLOYMENT** List last three employers. Include the name of the employer, your position, and the dates of your employment.

Employer	<input type="text"/>	Position	<input type="text"/>	Dates	<input type="text"/>
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### 9) LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

List below the names of the two individuals that will be submitting letters of recommendation who are familiar with your accomplishments and career goals. At least one letter must be from a faculty member at your current college/university. Letters of recommendation must be emailed to the WID Michigan Chapter Scholarship Director at [scholarships@wid-mi.org](mailto:scholarships@wid-mi.org) by August 15, 2026 (see application instructions page).

Name	<input type="text"/>	Position	<input type="text"/>
Address	<input type="text"/>		
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**SUBMISSION** I hereby certify that all of the information contained in my application and supporting materials is accurate.

Signature	<input type="text"/>	Date	<input type="text"/>
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Applicant's Name