



**Cleveland State University**  
**College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences**

**CROSSING THE FINISH LINE**  
**RETURNING ADULT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

*The **Crossing the Finish Line Returning Adult Scholarship** is intended to provide support for returning adult, non-traditional students and to assist with funding the last 15 required credit hours for part-time students, and the last full semester for full-time students.*

*Applicants are required to review their current on-line degree audit to verify the information below.*

**Eligibility (please check all that apply):**

- I am currently enrolled at Cleveland State University, and am pursuing an undergraduate degree within the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences;
- I am a \_\_\_\_\_ full \_\_\_\_\_ part-time student;
- I have at least 8 years of life experience beyond high school, whether significant work histories, family commitments, or balancing work and family commitments;
- My high school graduation year was \_\_\_\_\_
- I am pursuing my first bachelor's degree, and am within 15 credit hours or entering my final full-time semester of study prior to graduating;
- I have completed the FAFSA with CSU's Financial Aid department and it has been determined that I have financial need;
- I have earned a minimum cumulative 2.75 GPA during the most recent 24 credit hours completed;
- Preference will be given to applicants pursuing a degree from the Liberal Studies program;
  - I am pursuing a degree in the Liberal Studies program \_\_\_\_ Yes
- Preference will be given to transfer students;
  - I am a CSU transfer student. \_\_\_\_ Yes From: \_\_\_\_\_
- Preference will be given to applicants in good academic standing, having earned a cumulative 3.0 GPA during the most recent 24 credit hours completed;
  - I have at least a 3.0 GPA during the most recent 24 credit hours completed \_\_\_\_ Yes

If you wish to be considered for this scholarship, please submit an application according to the timeline noted below. Please check the semester for which you are seeking support.

**SEMESTER**

**DEADLINE**

\_\_\_\_ Spring/Summer

November 1st

\_\_\_\_ Fall

April 1st

**NAME:**

**CSU STUDENT ID:**

**MAILING ADDRESS:**

**EMAIL (Primary):**

**(Secondary):**

**TELEPHONE (Home):**

**(Cell):**

**ANTICIPATED GRADUATION DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HAVE YOU SUBMITTED YOUR GRADUATION APPLICATION FOR REVIEW THROUGH CAMPUS NET**

\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

**ESSAY [500 word maximum]** (Required)

DESCRIBE ANY CHALLENGES YOU MAY HAVE OVERCOME EITHER PRIOR TO OR WHILE EARNING A UNIVERSITY DEGREE, AND WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO ACCOMPLISH WITH YOUR DEGREE *(please feel free to attach additional pages if needed)*

**BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT** (Optional)

*You are welcome to include a biographical narrative if you believe it will be useful to the committee evaluating the applications. (please feel free to attach additional pages if needed)*

*Return the Crossing The Finish Line Scholarship application to the CLASS Dean's Office, Rhodes Tower 1822 either in person or by scanning and emailing to [j.milkie@csuohio.edu](mailto:j.milkie@csuohio.edu) or returning via fax to 216-687-9202 by the application deadline noted above.*

*\*\*Please do not send applications by campus or US mail\*\**

*If you have questions about the scholarship or application process,  
please phone Jody Milkie at (216) 687-3663*