

2020 Scholarship Guidelines



The Allamanda Garden Club of North Port, Florida awards annual scholarships to college juniors or seniors in an undergraduate program with a GPA of 3.0 or higher, as well as graduate or doctoral students pursuing degrees in horticulture-related fields*. (College sophomores are eligible as they will be entering their junior year the following fall.)

This scholarship is to provide tuition assistance to students attending a college/university anywhere in the United States. **Preference will be given to students who are residents of North Port, Port Charlotte, Englewood or Venice, Florida.**

In addition, the following guidelines will be considered:

1. A junior or senior in an undergraduate program, graduate or doctoral student at the time of the application
2. Registered as a full-time student and actively pursuing a degree in a horticulture-related field*
3. Excellence in academic and scholastic performance
4. Participation in extracurricular, leadership and research activities relating to horticulture
5. Participation in university and community service
6. Demonstrated commitment to the horticulture science profession and related career fields
7. Related horticultural experiences

Two \$2,500 scholarships will be awarded. (A scholarship named for Doris Doersam and one for Valerie Ollinger in appreciation for their years of service to the club.)

Application Deadline: **March 31, 2020**

Scholarships may be renewable. Students receiving scholarships are invited to re-apply the following year.

Each student will receive an email confirmation when the completed application and related documentation is received.

All scholarships are provided as cash awards, with checks issued to the college or institution he or she will be attending in the fall. No funds will be sent directly to the student. Each student who has won a scholarship will be sent a notification letter by email and U.S. mail. Scholarship decisions will be made by April 15th of each year.

Applicants will be judged on the following:

Aptitude in the field of horticulture
Academic record
Avocational interests and vocational potential
Character

To apply for the Allamanda Garden Club Scholarship, submit the following documents by email to: info@AllamandaGardenClub.com or postal mail to: Allamanda Garden Club, PO Box 7975, North Port, Florida 34290

- Application form
- Two letters of recommendation – Preferably one from a teacher evaluating you as a student and one from an employer evaluating you as a worker.
- Transcripts from schools you have attended. Transcripts do not need to be official.
- An essay outlining your reasons for choosing a career in a horticulture-related field and your plan for achieving those goals. (500-1,000 words)

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For more information, contact Scholarship Chairperson, Lisa Colburn:

Email: info@AllamandaGardenClub.com

Call: (207) 404-3494

*Including but not limited to:

- Horticulture
- Floriculture
- Agriculture
- Environmental Studies
- Arboriculture
- Urban Forestry
- Agribusiness with an emphasis in Plant Science
- Plant or Seed Physiology or Pathology
- Plant Science, Soil Science
- Landscape Design or Architecture
- Coastal Wetlands Studies
- Conservation and Ecological Restoration
- Pollinator Research
- Botany