



*The
Beekeepers of
Indiana*

Scholarship Application

This scholarship, sponsored by and administered by The Beekeepers of Indiana, was established to financially assist an individual enrolled in an undergraduate degree program in Entomology. The Scholarship will provide financial assistance for the selected candidate as well as waive the registration fee for the individual to attend the following year's The Beekeepers of Indiana Fall Conference. Please read the entire list of instructions below carefully. Incomplete applications or applications with missing information and attachments will not be considered.

An electronic version of this application is available on the TBoI website. You can also request an application from beekeepers.indiana@yahoo.com, Subject: Scholarship.

Manner of Award of the Scholarship

- The \$2,000 scholarship will be paid directly to the university toward the student's tuition.
- The scholarship will be paid in two installments, one for each semester.
- The first semester will be the fall and the second semester will be the spring.
- The payments will be made as soon as the scholarship recipient's enrollment has been verified.

Scholarship Eligibility

- The candidate must be a student who is in good academic standing.
- The candidate may be any person who is a full-time student with junior or senior status enrolled in an accredited college pursuing a degree in Entomology.
- The candidate must have kept honey bees for a minimum of two years by the beginning of their junior college year.

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- Qualified candidates must complete an application form providing their basic contact information, brief beekeeping experience and education, and other relevant data.
- Candidates must provide letters of recommendation from at least two experienced beekeepers, preferably a mentor and another beekeeping individual familiar with the candidate's experience and qualifications. If possible, this individual should be a Master Beekeeper, state apiarist, educator or research/extension specialist in the home state of the candidate.
- Candidates must write an essay of no less than two, and no more than three, double-spaced typewritten pages describing their reasons they feel they should be awarded the scholarship.

The essay should also outline the candidate's ambitions with respect to beekeeping, including both short and long-term plans.

- Application and essay must be typed or legibly printed in blue or black ink.
- Applications must be received by the Chairperson of TBoI Scholarship Committee by April 1 of the year in which the applicant will attend college as a junior or senior.

Award Criteria

- Preference will be given to candidates who, in the judgment of the Scholarship Committee, are serious in their commitment to apiculture. For example, a serious candidate may be planning to pursue a career as a commercial beekeeper, an entomologist, a researcher in apiculture, a queen breeder, or similar profession. A dedicated hobbyist may also win the scholarship, but preference will be given to candidates planning to pursue a career in apiculture.
- The candidate **does not** need to be a member of The Beekeepers of Indiana.
- If the candidate is convicted of a felony, the scholarship will be revoked.
- The candidate must supply a copy of their College Transcript
- Following each semester of the year that an individual receives the scholarship, the recipient will prepare an article for The Beekeepers of Indiana newsletter, of at least one page in length. The article should include photographs and discuss how the scholarship helped the recipient pursue their degree. The article should be submitted no later than one month following the end of the semester.
- The scholarship recipient will be required to complete a W-9 for tax purposes.
- Direct questions to Scholarship Committee at beekeepers.indiana@yahoo.com.



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Applicant Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile phone: _____

How and when did you get started keeping honey bees? _____

Tell us about your beekeeping experience (How many colonies you have? Where do you keep them?) _____

Have you ever attended any beekeeping classes on basic or advanced topics? Please describe:



Applicants should provide at least two letters of recommendation from experienced beekeepers that they know. These letters should preferably be written by a beekeeping individual familiar with the applicant's experience and qualifications. If possible, these recommendations should be provided by a state apiarist, educator or research/extension specialist in the applicant's home state. Individuals providing recommendations should send their letters directly to the Scholarship Committee at **beekeepers.indiana@yahoo.com** or by mail to the address at the bottom of this page. These letters must be received no later than midnight, April 1, 2020. The scholarship committee will not be held responsible for applications received past midnight, April 1, 2020 and **late applications are not accepted**. Mailed applications will use the U.S. Post Office postmarks to determine application date.

Please list the individuals providing letters of recommendation on your behalf:

(1) Name: _____

Email: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

Experience in beekeeping: _____

(2) Name: _____

Email: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

Experience in beekeeping: _____

Please attach to this application an essay of two to three pages in length, typed and double-spaced, that describes their reasons they feel they should be awarded the scholarship. The essay should also outline the candidate's ambitions with respect to beekeeping, including both short and long-term plans.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Submit this completed application, with your essay, to beekeepers.indiana@yahoo.com
or To mail application, send to:
Scholarship Committee Chairman, 7784 N. Sanctuary Lane, Mooresville, IN 46158-6082