



**IOWA CREDIT UNION  
FOUNDATION**

**2018 Warren A. Morrow Memorial Scholarship  
Scholarship Rules, Regulations and Entry Procedures**

(Apply online at [www.IowaCreditUnionFoundation.org](http://www.IowaCreditUnionFoundation.org))

The Iowa Credit Union Foundation's (ICUF) mission is: We empower people and communities to achieve financial well-being by championing the credit union philosophy of "people helping people." As part of that mission, ICUF promotes the Warren A. Morrow Memorial Scholarship program to encourage high school seniors and post-high school students to learn about credit unions and to prepare them for future challenges.

The Warren A. Morrow Memorial Scholarship includes two categories:

- **High school scholarships (4):**
  - first-place prize of \$1,500;
  - second place of \$1,000;
  - third place of \$750 and
  - fourth place of \$500.
  
- **Post-high school scholarship** category includes two \$1,000 scholarships.

### **I. Eligibility**

A. Entrants must have an account established in **his or her own name** and be a "member in good standing" at a credit union that is a member or associate member of the Iowa Credit Union League.

B. The high school scholarship is open to any high school senior with a projected graduation year of 2018.

C. The post-high school scholarship is open to any adult student who is entering or attending an accredited undergraduate, graduate or vocational program.

**D. Only one entry per applicant. More than one entry will result in disqualification.**

### **II. Entry Requirements**

A. Entrants are required to write an essay that is **no more than 500 words** on the following topic:

***Credit unions are not-for-profit, financial institutions that utilize the cooperative model. The "people helping people" philosophy is the guiding principle to serve their member's financial needs. Please explain what a cooperative is and why the "people helping people" philosophy is important. How does your membership in a credit union support your financial future?***

The essay must be the **original work** of the entrant. Entrants are allowed to use credit union reference materials and contact credit union officials for background information.

B. Complete the online application form at [www.IowaCreditUnionFoundation.org](http://www.IowaCreditUnionFoundation.org). **No hard copies or**

**emailed applications will be accepted.**

C. Please **do not** submit any letters of recommendation or transcripts.

**Entries must be submitted by 5 p.m. on Friday, February 9, 2018**

**III. Judging**

A. Judging will be conducted by judges selected by ICUF.

B. Each judge will award a maximum of 100 points to the essay. Judges will base their scores for the essay on originality, clarity, meaningful content, accurate presentation of facts, adherence to contest rules, spelling, grammar and punctuation.

C. ICUF will tabulate the results and select the winners. All decisions are final. **Winners will be notified by April, 2018.** Results will be posted on [IowaCreditUnionFoundation.org](http://IowaCreditUnionFoundation.org).

D. **All scholarship entries become the property of ICUF and will not be returned.**

**IV. Administrative/Award Procedures**

A. Winners of the high school scholarship must begin their studies within one year of graduating from high school or may be required to forfeit the award in the absence of extenuating circumstances. Winners must be enrolled as a full-time student at any accredited vocational, two- or four-year college approved for the guaranteed student loan program.

B. The winner of the non-traditional scholarship must currently be in school or begin studies within one year after the award of the scholarship. Winners must be enrolled at an approved college, but are not required to be enrolled full-time.

C. Scholarship funds will be held by ICUF until written verification is received from the college registrar where the student is enrolled. At that time, a payment will be made to both the winner and the college and mailed to the institution.

D. Funds are to be used only for tuition, room and board, and book and educational supply expenses.

**V. Authority of the Iowa Credit Union Foundation**

A. The Iowa Credit Union Foundation alone has ultimate authority to amend any of the above rules to ensure fairness in the award of the scholarships.

B. Your essay becomes the property of the Iowa Credit Union Foundation once submitted.

C. Any questions regarding the scholarship should be sent to:

[info@iowacreditunionfoundation.org](mailto:info@iowacreditunionfoundation.org)  
or call 800.860.6180 x3012.

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