



Nancy Lorraine Jensen Memorial Scholarship

Our Mission

The Sons of Norway Foundation is dedicated to funding activities that preserve and promote Norwegian heritage, positively affect members, and make Sons of Norway communities a more vibrant place to live.

Overview

The Nancy Lorraine Jensen Memorial Scholarship Fund was established by Dr. and Mrs. Arthur S. Jensen in memory of their remarkable daughter. By age 35, when she died suddenly, Nancy had already distinguished herself as an outstanding chemical engineer whose work resulted in important advances within the field of weather satellite photography. It is the wish of Dr. and Mrs. Jensen to encourage young women to enter the field of science and engineering by offering scholarships in Nancy's memory.

Eligibility

- The applicant must be an American citizen between the ages of 17-35 as of the date of application.*
- The applicant must be a current female member or the daughter or granddaughter of a current member of the Sons of Norway, provided that such membership has been in effect for at least three years prior to the date on the application.
- The applicant must be a full-time undergraduate who has completed at least one term of her studies after being accepted as a major either in chemistry, physics or in chemical, electrical or mechanical engineering.
- The applicant must have attained an SAT score of at least 1800 with a math score of 600 or better or an ACT score of at least 26.
- Scholarships may only be used to pay for tuition only for upcoming studies between June 2018-May 2019. The Foundation does not provide financial assistance for current or previous academic years, room/board, travel, etc.

Criteria

- A short autobiography, 150 words or less.
- An essay of 500 words or less addressing each of the following key points:
 - Describe how this scholarship will help you further your career goals.
 - Share why you have chosen your area of study what you hope to achieve in your life through your future career.
 - Explain your academic potential and evidence of your ability to succeed.
 - State how your course of study will benefit your community and be in accord with at least one of the following the goals and objectives of the Sons of Norway Foundation: (1) promoting improved international relationships, (2) providing people-to-people enrichment programs, (3) promoting culture exchange or (4) promoting humanitarian causes.
 - Describe your involvement in the Sons of Norway and how it has shaped who you are today.
 - Explain how you will share this experience with the Sons of Norway or wider audiences.



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- Academic potential:
 - A copy of your SAT or ACT scores.
 - A copy of your most recent transcripts.

Please note, "official" transcripts may be required once an applicant is tentatively selected.
- Financial need: Be prepared to include the amount you are able to pay for post-secondary education/training in the online application.
- Three letters of recommendation:
 - One letter must be from the department chair or advisor verifying the candidate's declared major is in the area of chemistry, physics or in chemical, electrical or mechanical engineering.
 - The other two letters should give specific evidence of good character, eagerness, earnestness and ambition in the field of science and/or engineering.

Application Process

Applications are only accepted via our online portal at www.sonsofnorway.com/scholarships. The steps to apply are as follows:

- 1) Go into the scholarship portal at www.sonsofnorway.com/scholarships and create a username and password.

Please note: The username and password will be different from your Sons of Norway membership login. You must create new credentials every year you apply for a scholarship.
- 2) Complete the profile section that includes your contact information.
- 3) Select the scholarship(s) for which you would like to apply and complete those application(s).

Please note: As of the 2017 scholarship year, applicants will be limited to applying for either domestic scholarships OR international scholarships, not both. However, you may apply for as many scholarships in either category for which you are eligible.
- 4) Upload all required supplementary attachments to the portal including: a copy of your transcripts, a copy of your ACT or SAT scores, your three letters of recommendation and a high resolution photograph (for use in the Viking magazine, etc. should you receive an award).

Please note: ONLY send letters of recommendation via e-mail to scholarship@sofn.com should the author(s) of the letter(s) require they remain confidential. If a reference e-mails a letter on your behalf be sure they include your name and the name of the scholarship in the subject line.
- 5) Check the box stating that you, the applicant, have completed the application and that no one else has completed it for you.
- 6) Send your final submission no later than April 1.



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Award Selection

Final selection of the scholarship winners will be made by a scholarship committee appointed by the Sons of Norway Foundation. Scoring is dependent on the use of complete sentences, proper grammar, and inclusion of information outlined in the essay requirements listed above.

Candidates may only receive two Sons of Norway scholarships in a five-year period.

Award Amount

The annual scholarship award will be no less than 50% for one term and no more than 100% of the tuition for one year. The recipient will be asked to provide verification of the amount of tuition charged to her by the institution.

Scholarship Notification and Payment

Notification of an award will be made by phone within 14 weeks of the application deadline.

Scholarship funding is made payable to the institution listed on the application and mailed to the scholarship recipient. Please be sure the information listed in the, “student ID,” section of the profile page is accurate to assure the scholarship will be applied to the proper student account.

Recipient Requirements

Scholarship recipients are expected to grant permission to use their photo and name in the Viking magazine, the Foundation’s annual report and other scholarship promotional materials. They are also expected to give a presentation, including photos, at their Sons of Norway lodge or one close to them to explain how this scholarship is helping them achieve their educational dreams. We will provide you with a form for a lodge officer to sign after your presentation.

Revision Policy

The Sons of Norway Foundation reserves the right to modify requirements. All participants are encouraged to check the Foundation website, www.sonsofnorway.com/foundation for the most current information.

Questions

Questions may be directed to the Foundation at scholarship@sofn.com.

The deadline for submission of the completed application and all required elements is APRIL 1.

* Membership must be in effect at least one calendar year prior to application. Students may only apply under their parents’ or grandparents’ Sons of Norway membership if they are age 26 or younger.

Thank you for your interest in applying for a Sons of Norway Foundation scholarship.