



# Douglas Warne – Rolf & Wenche Eng 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 Douglas Warne – Rolf & Wenche Eng Scholarship creates an opportunity for qualified applicants to attend educational institutions in Norway and assists with the costs of tuition, room and board.

This scholarship is endowed and funded by Douglas Warne in honor and remembrance of his experiences at the University of Oslo, International Summer School and the friendship and assistance provided by the Rotary and the Rolf and Wenche Eng family during that school year and subsequent visits to Norway. Both affected his choices in life and in his profession. In 2013, Mr. Warne marked being active in his local Scandinavian Community for more than 50 years. He is past president of the Norwegian Commercial Club, Leif Erikson Lodge of the Sons of Norway, secretary of Leif Erikson Recreation Board and a member of the Board of Governors of the Sons of Norway Foundation.

## Eligibility

- Any current American or Canadian members of the Sons of Norway or Rotary, as well as their children or grandchildren. Those students without family members in the Sons of Norway or Rotary may select an advocate or representative from either organization to sponsor their application.\*
- Applicants of any age who have completed one full year of college level work.
- Applicants who have been accepted by an educational post-secondary institution in Norway including but not limited to craft, folk, music, theatre or technical schools, Oslo International Summer School or undergraduate colleges/universities in Norway.
- Applicants do not have to be currently attending school to apply.
- Scholarships may only be used to pay for tuition only for upcoming studies between June 2018-May2019. 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.
  - Explain why you have chosen your area of study and what you hope to achieve in your life through your future career.
  - Share any involvement in volunteer, school and/or community activities and what that involvement has taught you.
  - 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.



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State how your course of study will be in accordance with the objectives of Rotary: We are 1.2 million neighbors, friends and community leaders who come together to create positive, lasting change in our communities and around the world.

- Describe any involvement in the Sons of Norway or Rotary, if applicable, and how it has shaped who you are today.
  - Explain how you will share this experience with the Sons of Norway or Rotary after you return.
- Academic potential: Upload your latest available grade 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.
  - Two letters of recommendation:
    - Letters should testify to the applicant’s good character, educational interests and/or job related skills.
    - If the applicant or the applicant’s parent or grandparent is not a member of the Sons of Norway or Rotary, than one of the letters should be from a sponsor in the Sons of Norway or Rotary.

## Application Process

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

1) Go into the scholarship portal at [www.sonsofnorway.com/scholarships](http://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 demographic and contact information, etc.

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, your 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](mailto: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 January 15, 2017.



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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 monetary award for this scholarship is for up to \$3,000.

## 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](http://www.sonsofnorway.com/foundation) for the most current information.

## Questions

Questions may be directed to the Foundation at [scholarship@sofn.com](mailto:scholarship@sofn.com).

The deadline for submission of the completed application and all required elements is JANUARY 15.

\* 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.**