



Helen Tronvold Adult Learner 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 Helen Tronvold Adult Learner Scholarship was established in 2017 to support the Sons of Norway Foundation's objective of providing cross-cultural experiences for adult members who also own a financial product from Sons of Norway. Helen Tronvold remembered Sons of Norway Foundation with a special bequest in her will, which is the source of funding for this opportunity.

Award Amount

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

Eligibility

- Applicants who are current members of Sons of Norway age 40 and older who own a Sons of Norway annuity or insurance product.*
- Those who intend to take academic or cultural/heritage classes in Norway and can provide proof of enrollment.
- Those who need tuition assistance for the 2021-2022 school year.**

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 cross-cultural or career goals.
 - State how your program/course of study or future plans align with at least one of the following core values of the Foundation: (1) Building the heritage of the future, (2) Sustaining the link to contemporary Norway, (3) Committing to life-long learning and service, (4) Preserving compassion for those in need, (5) Funding innovative individuals and opportunities, (6) Fostering a cohesive community of generosity.
 - 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.
- Two letters of recommendation that address the applicant's character and abilities.

Application Process

Applications are only accepted via our online portal at www.sofn.com/scholarships



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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.

Scholarship Notification and Payment

Notification of an award will be made by email or 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. If awarded, the recipient will be required to complete information including his or her student ID number for the institution and a current mailing address.

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.sofn.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 JANUARY 15.

*Membership must be in effect at least one calendar year prior to application.

**The Sons of Norway Foundation does not provide financial assistance for current or previous academic years, travel, etc.

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