

VOGRIN-BELL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- o The candidate is a member of an underrepresented group or;
- o The candidate has English as their second language or is fluent in a language other than English. This language fluency is in a language that represents a demographic population of Ocean County that is underserved.
- o The candidate can provide proof of matriculation in an accredited Master’s Degree program for librarianship, or in an undergraduate program with the intent to pursue a career in librarianship.
- o Successful recipients are eligible to re-apply and receive the scholarship for each semester of study, as long as they maintain a B average.

Please print legibly using black or blue ink or type.

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

EDUCATIONAL STATUS:

College or University: _____

Major(s): _____

Minor: _____

Degree: _____

Years of Attendance/Graduation: _____

List career-related extracurricular activities, academic honors, civic honors, or awards you have received, any professional and honorary society memberships:

EXPERIENCE SINCE GRADUATION FROM COLLEGE:

Work Experience (Name & Location): _____

Your Title: _____

Type of Work: _____

Dates: _____

Have you applied to an A.L.A. accredited program? ___yes ___no

Have you been accepted into an A.L.A. accredited program? ___yes ___no

If yes, name of school:_____

ESSAY

On a separate sheet of paper, succinctly describe your ambitions and qualifications as an innovator or future leader in a career in public librarianship. Describe your career objectives and how the award of a Vogrin-Bell scholarship would help you attain your objectives. Comment about what you have achieved and learned through your studies and activities, and what this indicates about your character and determination. Your essay should not exceed 400 words and should be typed, double-spaced.

REFERENCE LETTERS

Two letters of recommendation are required. The references should comment on your character and potential for leadership or for making a significant contribution to the library profession. This can be based upon specific examples drawn from your course work, projects, or activities. Each letter of recommendation must be signed by the person making the recommendation. Place one copy of the reference letter in each set of documents that make up the complete application. NOTE: If the person providing the letter wishes to write a confidential reference, he or she should place the original letter plus four copies in a sealed envelope. Include that envelope in your application package.

Provide information about references below:

Reference 1 Name:_____

Association with applicant:_____

Telephone:_____ Email:_____

Reference 2 Name:_____

Association with applicant:_____

Telephone:_____ Email:_____

APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION/PERMISSION TO RELEASE INFORMATION

I hereby certify that all information submitted on this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsification of any information on this application disqualifies me for any current or future Vogrin-Bell scholarship. I also understand that all applications will be evaluated on eligibility, educational achievement, work experience, and the essay submission, and that scholarships will be awarded based on merit. Submission of an application in no way guarantees that a scholarship will be awarded. Incomplete applications will not be considered. I understand that the Vogrin-Bell Scholarship Committee will maintain this information as confidential.

Signature_____

Date_____

Mail five copies and required documentation to:

Human Resources Department
Ocean County Library
101 Washington Street
Toms River, NJ 08753
Attn: Vogrin-Bell Scholarship