The United Way of South Hampton Roads aims to increase opportunities for African American students and reduce racial and gender gaps that currently exist in the fields of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).

The African American Leadership Society of the United Way of South Hampton Roads will award one-time scholarships to African American students pursuing STEM degrees in 2022. Each recipient will receive up to $10,000 to use toward their education. Females will account for 50% of scholarship recipients and 25% will be awarded to first generation college students.

**SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

To qualify, applicants must:

- Be African American
- Be a citizen, legal permanent resident or national of the U.S.
- Be a current resident of Hampton Roads
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher on an unweighted 4.0 scale
- Have pursued a rigorous course of study in high school math and science courses, including precalculus
- Have demonstrated unmet financial need as measured by the student’s college or university
- Show readiness and commitment to pursuing a STEM-related degree
- Plan to be enrolled or currently enrolled in an accredited U.S. college or University during the 2021-2022 academic school year as either a full or part time, degree seeking, first year student
- Complete the application and accompanying essays by the deadline

Note: African American veterans with honorable discharge pursuing a STEM related college degree for the first time are also eligible

**APPLICATION SCHEDULE FOR SPRING 2022 ENROLLMENT**

- **October 1**: Portal opens for application submissions
- **November 30**: Deadline to submit application
- **December 1–15**: Panel review of applications
- **December 6–20**: Virtual interviews with select applicants
- **January 12**: Awards announced

For questions or assistance, please email aalsstem@unitedwayshr.org

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