**ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY, INC.**

**RHO SIGMA LAMBDA FOUNDATION**

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**CONTACT INFO: INFORMATION:**

Applicant Name (First, Last, Suffix): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address:

Street: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address Line 2: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Postal/Zip Code\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**ACADEMIC INFORMATION:**

High School/ College Currently Attending: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address of Academic Institution: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Postal/Zip Code\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Graduation Date (Month/Year): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

For which Rho Sigma Lambda Scholarship will you be submitting an application package? Check only one scholarship.

**O The Randall Ponder Memorial Scholarship**

**O The Charles H. Garvin HBCU Scholarship**

**O The Lawrence Lyle Memorial Scholarship**

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**APPLICATION PROCESS:**

Please adhere to the attached scholarship criteria for which you are applying. Please email all questions to RSLSCHOLARSHIPS@YAHOO.COM. Please put your name and “RSL Scholarship” in the subject line.

The monetary award amounts will be determined by the Rho Sigma Lambda Scholarship Committee and Rho Sigma Lambda Foundation.

**APPLICATION PHOTO:**

Please attach a full headshot photo. The photo should be a minimum passport size photo (2 inches wide x 2 inches length) and should not exceed the boundaries of the box below. **Photo must be in color and not in black and white**. The photo should have been taken in the last six months.

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**Randall Ponder Memorial Scholarship Fund**

* The following criteria will be used to evaluate the graduating high school seniors and matriculating Application packages must be received on time without exception.
* Must be a graduating, **male** high school senior from the Alpha Phi Alpha, Rho Sigma Lambda Chapter service area attending any 4-year institution of higher learning. Must reside and attend a high school located in South Metropolitan Atlanta (including Butts, Henry, Lamar, Pike, Spalding, and Upson counties).
* Must complete the Rho Sigma Lambda Foundation Scholarship Program Application.
* Application packages must be received on time without exception.
* Academic record (min 2.7 GPA on a 4.0 scale or *equivalent).* Submission of an official school transcript will be required.
* Graduating high school seniors must provide a copy of the acceptance letter from the college/university to which they plan to enroll. The copy must be enclosed with the application.
* Submittal of one (1) essay from a list of topics provided by the Scholarship Committee. All essays will be a minimum of 600 words and not exceed 1000 words. Essays must be typed utilizing Times New Roman styled font size 12, double-spaced, and error free. Attach screenshot of word count.
* Submittal of two (2) signed letters of recommendation, one from a school official such as an administrator, guidance counselor, department chair, or academic advisor and one from a person in the community (letters from relatives are strictly prohibited). Must include typed two contact numbers, e-mail address, and full name.
* Provide a brief synopsis of your extracurricular, civic, and/or community service involvement that you would like to highlight.
* Successful completion of a virtual panel interview by the Scholarship Committee.
* All submissions that are wrinkled, stained, handwritten, or unprotected will be eliminated from the process. Please return items bound in a report folder or 3-ring binder tabulated as follows:
1. Completed application
2. Official transcript
3. College/University Acceptance Letter
4. Essay
5. Two Signed Letters of Recommendation
6. Brief Synopsis of Extracurricular/ Civic/ Community Service Involvement

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**The Charles H. Garvin HBCU Scholarship Fund**

The following criteria will be used to evaluate the graduating high school seniors and matriculating college students for the **Charles H. Garvin HBCU Scholarships**:

* Must be a graduating, **African American Male** high school senior from the Alpha Phi Alpha, Rho Sigma Lambda Chapter service area that will be attending any Historical Black College or University (HBCU). Must reside and attend a high school located in South Metropolitan Atlanta (including Butts, Henry, Lamar, Pike, Spalding, and Upson counties).
* Must complete the Rho Sigma Lambda Foundation Scholarship Program Application.
* Application packages must be received on time without exception.
* Academic record (min 2.7 GPA on a 4.0 scale or *equivalent).* Submission of an official school transcript will be required.
* Graduating high school seniors must provide a copy of the acceptance letter from the college/university to which they plan to enroll. The copy must be enclosed with the application.
* Submittal of one (1) essay from a list of topics provided by the Scholarship Committee. All essays will be a minimum of 600 words and not exceed 1000 words. Essays must be typed utilizing Times New Roman styled font size 12, double-spaced, and error free. Attach screenshot of word count.
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* Provide a brief synopsis of your extracurricular, civic, and/or community service involvement that you would like to highlight.
* Successful completion of a virtual panel interview by the Scholarship Committee.
* All submissions that are wrinkled, stained, handwritten, or unprotected will be eliminated from the process. Please return items bound in a report folder or 3-ring binder tabulated as follows:
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**The Lawrence Lyle Memorial Scholarship Fund**

The following criteria will be used to evaluate the graduating high school seniors and matriculating college students for the **Lawrence Lyle Memorial Scholarships**:

Must be a graduating, **female** high school senior from the Alpha Phi Alpha, Rho Sigma Lambda Chapter service area attending any 4-year institution of higher learning. Must reside and attend a high school located in South Metropolitan Atlanta (including Butts, Henry, Lamar, Pike, Spalding, and Upson counties).

* Must complete the Rho Sigma Lambda Foundation Scholarship Program Application.
* Application packages must be received on time without exception.
* Academic record (min 2.7 GPA on a 4.0 scale or *equivalent).* Submission of an official school transcript will be required.
* Graduating high school seniors must provide a copy of the acceptance letter from the college/university to which they plan to enroll. The copy must be enclosed with the application.
* Submittal of one (1) essay from a list of topics provided by the Scholarship Committee. All essays will be a minimum of 600 words and not exceed 1000 words. Essays must be typed utilizing Times New Roman styled font size 12, double-spaced, and error free. Attach screenshot of word count.
* Submittal of two (2) signed letters of recommendation, one from a school official such as an administrator, guidance counselor, department chair, or academic advisor and one from a person in the community (letters from relatives are strictly prohibited). Must include typed two contact numbers, e-mail address, and full name.
* Provide a brief synopsis of your extracurricular, civic, and/or community service involvement that you would like to highlight.
* Successful completion of a virtual panel interview by the Scholarship Committee.
* All submissions that are wrinkled, stained, handwritten, or unprotected will be eliminated from the process. Please return items bound in a report folder or 3-ring binder tabulated as follows:
1. Completed application;
2. Official transcript;
3. College/University Acceptance Letter
4. Essay
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6. Brief Synopsis of Extracurricular/ Civic/ Community Service Involvement

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**ESSAY TOPICS:**

*Please select from one of the following topics:*

**Randall Ponder Memorial Scholarship Applicants:**

* “Describe How You Plan to Achieve Success in Your Future Endeavors”
* “How would you improve American Life: *Politically, Socially and Economically”*
* “Describe How a Prominent Member of Alpha Phi Alpha Has Influenced Your Life”

**Charles H. Garvin HBCU Scholarship Applicants:**

* “What Is the Most Challenging Aspect of Being an African American Male in Society Today?”
* “Why Are You Attending a HBCU and How Will the Experience Impact Your Future?”
* “Describe How a Prominent Member of Alpha Phi Alpha Has Influenced Your Life”

**Lawrence Lyle Memorial Scholarship Applicants:**

* “Describe How You Plan to Achieve Success in Your Future Endeavors”
* “Describe Three Ways Women have contributed to the Aggrandizement of Life in America”
* “Describe How a Prominent Member of Alpha Phi Alpha Has Influenced Your Life”

**INTERVIEWS:**

Applicants will be notified of the place and time for their interview upon receipt of their completed application packet.

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

**Scholarship Applications should be RECEIVED no later than Monday, April 1, 2025. Return address:**

**Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.**

**Rho Sigma Lambda Chapter Scholarship Fund**

**P.O. Box 3011**

**McDonough, GA 30253**

**AGREEMENT AND SIGNATURE:**

By submitting this application, I affirm that facts set forth are accurate and complete. I understand that any false and/or misleading statements, omissions, or other misrepresentations made by me may result in my application being voided.

**Signature**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_