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## FULL-RIDE SCHOLARSHIP COLORADO GARDEN SHOW, INC.

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### **I. Scholarship:**

This scholarship offered by Colorado Garden Show, Inc. is a four-year full-ride scholarship available to an incoming freshman at a publicly funded Colorado college or university.

This scholarship includes tuition, fees, room & board, and all required books for the four years. In addition, the student will be given a laptop computer and printer at the start of their freshman year.

### **II. Purpose of the Scholarship Program:**

Colorado Garden Show is proud of its scholarship program, which offers financial aid to students and promotes study in Agriculture Education, Horticulture (inc. Fruit Science/Environmental/Communications), Floriculture, Landscape Architecture or Design, Botany, Biology (as it applies to horticulture/agriculture sciences), Plant Pathology/Science, Forestry, Agronomy, Environmental Concerns (Management: Environmental, Horticulture Resource/Environmental Behavior, etc.). Environmental Conservation, City (Rural & Urban) Planning, Community and Regional Planning, Habitat or Forest/Systems Ecology, Land Management and/or other related or allied subjects. Applicants must be majoring in one of these fields of study. Approval must be granted by the Colorado Garden Show Scholarship Committee for application to be made in any major other than the ones listed.

### **III. Terms Under Which Scholarships are Awarded:**

1. Applications must be submitted on the required application form, with *all* required additional information attached.
2. Applications must be mailed to Colorado Garden Show, Inc. ***All applications must be received by March 15<sup>th</sup>***. No applications received after that date will be considered.
3. All applications received will be reviewed and judged by Colorado Garden Show, Inc. in order to choose *one* winning application. Only Colorado residents can apply. The scholarship award will be for a maximum of four years.
4. The finalists will be required to have a face-to-face interview in Denver with the board of directors of the Colorado Garden Show, Inc.
5. An annual cumulative grade point average of 2.50 must be maintained. Student must complete a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester.
6. Student will be expected to perform a minimum of 20 documented hours of annual volunteer community service in a related field.
7. At any time during the student's four year experience at college, this scholarship can be revoked for the following reasons:
  - Annual grade point average falls below 2.50
  - Change of major outside of approved fields
  - Conduct unbecoming a scholarship recipient

8. After the scholarship grant has been submitted to the college or university of the student's choice, it cannot be transferred to another college or university without prior written permission from Colorado Garden Show, Inc.
9. In the event of a change in the student's major to one other than those approved by Colorado Garden Show, Inc. or if the student withdraws from school, the balance of scholarship funds must be returned to:

**Colorado Garden Show, Inc.  
959 S. Kipling Parkway, Suite 100  
Lakewood, Colorado 80226**

10. Scholarships are to be disbursed from the Financial Aid Office of the college or university the student is attending. Checks will not be sent directly to students from Colorado Garden Show, Inc. Funds will be disbursed each semester.
11. The student and Financial Aid Officer will determine how the money is to be spent: tuition, food, housing, books, etc. The form must be signed by both Financial Aid Officer and by the student making the application.
12. Student shall provide a photo to be used for Colorado Garden Show marketing ([jim@gardeningcolorado.com](mailto:jim@gardeningcolorado.com)) to help promote the scholarship program. Examples of use may include the Colorado Garden Show Web site, organization's Facebook page, or materials at the Colorado Garden & Home Show.
13. Student shall provide written correspondence each semester updating Colorado Garden Show on impact of the full-ride scholarship and how classes and major are preparing him/her for the future. Correspondence can be mailed or emailed to Colorado Garden Show ([jim@gardeningcolorado.com](mailto:jim@gardeningcolorado.com)) and should not exceed one page. Correspondence will be used for Colorado Garden Show marketing to help promote the scholarship program.
14. If the student is awarded the CGS full-ride scholarship they must revoke other scholarships they may, or already have, received other than government subsidies.

Evaluation of the applicants will be based on the following items:

<b>ACADEMIC RECORD:</b>	Complete official transcript of high school grades is required.
<b>APPLICANT'S LETTER:</b>	Discussion of background, goals, personal commitment to chosen career, financial need. (Limited to 2 pages. Typed or computer generated pages are preferred.)
<b>LISTING OF HONORS/EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES/WORK EXPERIENCE:</b>	This information should be supplied on a separate sheet of paper, and not be listed within the body of applicant's letter.
<b>FINANCIAL NEED:</b>	Signatures of Financial Aid Officer and student are required on Financial Aid form, which must be <i>fully</i> completed. A copy of the applicant's parent's tax return should also be submitted with the application. This information is kept confidential.
<b>RECOMMENDATIONS:</b>	Three required letters of recommendation submitted (Limited to 1 page each. Typed or computer generated pages preferred.)



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## REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENT'S PREPARATION OF SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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This scholarship includes tuition, fees, room & board, and all books for the four years. In addition, the student will be provided a laptop computer and printer at the start of their freshman year.

Applicants must major in Horticulture, Floriculture, Landscape Design, Botany, Biology (as it applies to horticulture/agriculture sciences), Forestry, Agronomy, Conservation, Plant Pathology, Environmental Concerns, City Planning and/or other allied subjects. (Approval must be granted by Colorado Garden Show, Inc. for any major other than those specifically listed above.)

**All of the following required materials must be mailed by the student as one complete packet by March 15<sup>th</sup>. No applicants will be considered after that date. All materials must be included, as listed. No exceptions will be made. Do not submit application in any sort of permanent binder. Do not use page protectors. Application should consist of all required materials, not stapled together so they may be easily taken apart for making copies.**

1. *Application form must be complete.* (Typed or computer generated is preferred)
2. *Complete official high school transcript* for all courses taken. Must include latest grading period.
3. *Letter from applicant.* Discuss goals, background, financial need, and personal commitment to career choice. Limited to **two** pages. Typed or computer generated is preferred.  
**The Committee will consider no additional pages or other materials.**
4. *List of extracurricular activities/honors received.* This should be submitted on a separate sheet of paper, not included within body of applicant's letter.
5. *Financial Aid form.* Must be complete, with all questions answered, and signed by both student and Financial Aid Officer. A copy of the applicant's parent's tax return should also be submitted with the application. This information is kept confidential.
6. *Three letters of recommendation,* which discuss scholastic ability, personal character, work-related experience of applicant. (Each limited to *one* page. Typed or computer generated is preferred.) **No more than 3 letters of one page each will be considered.**



## APPLICATION FORM FOR FULL-RIDE SCHOLARSHIP

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Female \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_

Home (Legal) Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

College/University \_\_\_\_\_

Department in which interested in enrolling \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_ Minor \_\_\_\_\_

When do you expect to graduate? \_\_\_\_\_ Degree \_\_\_\_\_

Occupational Objective after Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Financial Aid Officer \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE TELL US HOW YOU HEARD ABOUT THIS SCHOLARSHIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Application form, along with grade transcript, personal letter by applicant, list of activities, Financial Aid form and letters of recommendation must be sent as one packet to Colorado Garden Show, Inc. Application form must be complete. Typed or computer generated is preferred. **FINANCIAL AID FORM is to be mailed by student with other application materials to Colorado Garden Show, Inc. Application deadline: Must be received by Colorado Garden Show, Inc. on or before March 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**PERSONAL LETTER BY APPLICANT.** Attach to this application. Letter should discuss background, career goals, financial need, and commitment to chosen field of study. Not to exceed *two* pages. Typed or computer generated is preferred. No additional materials will be accepted.

**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND/OR HONORS RECEIVED:** Attach list.

**LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:** Three (3) letters of recommendation required. Each limited to *one* page. Typed or computer generated is preferred. Additional pages or letters will not be accepted. Letters should include discussion of the following:

1. Scholastic ability
2. Character references
3. Work-related experience.



### FINANCIAL AID FORM

This form must be completed by the Financial Aid Officer of the college or university involved and by the student, and must be signed by both of those individuals.

This information will be held in strictest confidence. It will be made available only to appropriate officials of the college/university and to the Board members of Colorado Garden Show, Inc. Since actual financial need is one of the determining factors in the awarding of scholarships, it is necessary that *all* of the requested information be supplied.

Use the following form to show all ANTICIPATED SOURCES OF FUNDS as well as all **projected costs** involved for attending college in the **2010-2011** school year. It is not required that **projected** resources and expenditures balance.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The student must mail this form, along with other required application materials, to Colorado Garden Show, Inc.

<u>ANTICIPATED RESOURCES</u>	<u>PROJECTED EXPENDITURES</u>
_____ From parent or relative	_____ Tuition & Fees
_____ From personal savings	_____ Housing
_____ Educational Insurance Policies (529 plans)	_____ Board
_____ School-year earnings	_____ Books/ Supplies
_____ Grants/Scholarships	_____ Clothing/ Laundry
_____ Loans	_____ Transportation
_____ Other:	_____ Other:
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____ Total Funds Available	_____ Total Expenses

THIS WILL AUTHORIZE THE RELEASE OF MY FINANCIAL NEED FORM to Colorado Garden Show, Inc., 959 S. Kipling Parkway, Suite 100, Lakewood, Colorado 80226.

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**FINANCIAL AID OFFICER:**

Is this student eligible for receiving financial aid at your institution?

Grants/Scholarships: YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Student Loans: YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Has this student applied for financial aid at your institution? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

FINANCIAL AID OFFICER'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

PRINTED \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ Extension, if applicable \_\_\_\_\_

FAX \_\_\_\_\_