AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATION

PART I: SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Check here to indicate the scholarship program to which you are applying:

_____ CATEGORY A: GABE A. HARTL SCHOLARSHIP
AWARDED TO STUDENTS ENROLLED IN AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL CURRICULUM AT AN FAA APPROVED INSTITUTION WWW.FAA.GOV/EDUCATION

Applicant must be enrolled or accepted in a two-year or greater air traffic control program at an institution approved and/or listed by the Federal Aviation Administration as directly supporting the FAA’s college training initiative.

_____ CATEGORY B: NON-EMPLOYEE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS
AWARDED TO STUDENTS ENROLLED IN AN AVIATION RELATED PROGRAM OF STUDY LEADING TO A BACHELOR’S DEGREE OR GREATER

Applicant must be enrolled or accepted in an accredited college or university and planning to continue the following academic year. Applicant must be enrolled in course work related to his/her aviation-related career and leading to a bachelor’s degree or greater.

_____ CATEGORY C: FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS
AWARDED TO FULL TIME EMPLOYEES ENROLLED IN ADVANCED STUDY PROGRAMS THAT ENHANCE EMPLOYEE’S SKILLS IN AVIATION-RELATED POSITION.

Applicant must be engaged in full-time employment in an aviation-related field. Applicant must be enrolled in course work designed to enhance the applicant’s skill in an air traffic control or other aviation-related discipline.

_____ CATEGORY D: BUCKINGHAM MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS
AWARDED TO CHILDREN OF AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL SPECIALISTS.

Must be a U.S. Citizen and the child, natural or by adoption, of a person serving, or having served as an air traffic control specialist, be it with the U.S. Government, U.S. Military, or in a private facility in the United States.
PART II: GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR ALL SCHOLARSHIP CATEGORIES:

1. Accepted or enrolled in an accredited college or university and planning to continue the following year.
2. Coursework leads to a bachelor’s degree or higher. (excluding Category A)
3. Attendance is equal to at least half-time (6 semester hours or the equivalent).
4. Must have a minimum of 30 semester or 45 quarter hours still to be completed before graduation.
5. Candidate must submit an essay as per instructions for the scholarship category, per PART VI.
6. Candidate must answer any special questions for the scholarship category, per PART VI.
7. Two references to provide letters of recommendation in support of your application for the ATCA Scholarship Program. You may select anyone from your community who you believe can best address your strength of personal character and your commitment to volunteer service.
8. Official transcripts of all college coursework. If you are a high school student or have completed less than 30 semester or 45 quarter hours, also send high school transcript(s).
9. Application MUST BE POSTMARKED BY MAY 1 in the year applying.

PART III: APPLICANT

First name ______________________ Middle name _______________ Last name ______________________

Prefer to be called ______________ Date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY) ______________

Gender and Ethnicity (optional): If you wish to be identified, please check all that apply.

☐ Male   ☐ Female
☐ African American
☐ Native American, Alaskan Native, Hawaiian Native, or Pacific Islander
☐ Asian American
☐ Hispanic
☐ White or Caucasian
☐ Other: ________________________________
PERMANENT ADDRESS:
Street Address _________________________________________________
City___________________ State______ Zip code __________     Country _______________
Area code/phone number _____________ E-mail address _______________________________

EDUCATION:
High school ____________________________________ High school graduation year _________
High school GPA __________
College/University (enrolled or accepted) __________________________________________
Name
________________________________________
Street  City  State  Zip
Degree Objective __________________________________________
Proposed Graduation or time of completion ______________________________
Month    Year
If enrolled, Grade Point Average _______ based on a 4.0 System after completing ____________ credit hours

PART IV: FINANCIAL AID
Please describe your financial need: __________________________________________

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____________________________________________________________________________

OTHER FINANCIAL AID
I _________ receiving support from a financial assistance program or scholarship or grant. 
(am/am not)

If answer to the above is affirmative, provide source and amount of support.
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PART V: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR JOB CATEGORIES (complete all that apply)

CATEGORY A, B and C SCHOLARSHIPS (required)

Aviation-Related Experience:

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CATEGORY C SCHOLARSHIPS (required), CATEGORY A, B, and D (optional):

Present Job (Title/Brief Description and Organization)

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CATEGORY D SCHOLARSHIPS (required for Category D only)

Information about the Parent Air Traffic Control Specialist:

Name of Parent ATC Specialist _____________________________________________

Street Address ___________________________________________________________

City___________________ State______ Zip code __________

Area code/phone number _____________ E-mail address _________________________

Name of the most recent facility at which ATC Specialist Parent is/was employed:

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Relationship to applicant: mother, father, step-mother, step-father (circle one)
PART VI: LEADERSHIP: Respond to each of the following questions (on separate sheets of paper).

I. List up to, but no more than, five of the most significant service activities in which you have participated. Limit your response for each section of the chart to one or two sentences. For each listing, include the service activity, your role, your responsibilities, years of involvement, and hours spent on the project.

II. Describe one of the projects listed in Question I that highlights your leadership skills, including your ability to initiate and implement a service project/activity. Please limit your response to 300 words.

III. Essay. How do you see your career unfolding? Please limit your response to 500 words.

CATEGORY A, B or C SCHOLARSHIPS:

Focus on thoughts about how your education efforts will enhance your potential contribution to aviation.

CATEGORY D SCHOLARSHIP:

Focus on thoughts about how you will blend your career with community service in your adult life.

___________________________
Applicant’s Signature:

___________________________
Date
PROCEDURES FOR APPLICATION

The original application, letters of reference, transcripts, and answers to leadership and career questions and essay should be mailed (fax and email applications will not be accepted at this time) to:

Air Traffic Control Association, Inc.
Attn: Scholarship Fund
1101 King Street, Suite 300
Alexandria, Virginia 22314

CONDITIONS OF SCHOLARSHIP

In order to maintain his or her eligibility to receive scholarship funds, each scholarship recipient must, at the end of each academic year, submit to the ATCA Scholarship Fund, Inc., a verified report from the educational institution attended, stating the courses taken and completed and the grades received. Each scholarship recipient must also provide the ATCA Scholarship Fund, Inc., a verified final report upon completion of the entire course of study.

Each scholarship recipient must also inform ATCA whether he or she is related to any member or officer of ATCA.

DISBURSAL OF SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Scholarship funds will be disbursed to the award recipient as reimbursement for actual, legitimate scholastic expenses whenever the student provides the ATCA Scholarship Fund, Inc. satisfactory evidence of the expenditure (i.e., tuition payment receipts, bookstore receipts indicating purchases of textbooks, or receipts for payment of dormitory room and board charges in the case of half- to full-time students only). The award recipient may also have the educational institution submit bills for tuition, dormitory room and board (half to full-time students only), or other scholastic charges directly to the ATCA Scholarship Fund, Inc. for payment to the educational institution. Scholarships are not renewable and the funds must be used within four years of the date of the award. Scholarship funds are disbursed only up to the amount of the initial award. Award winners seeking additional funds must submit a new application and attachments for consideration on a competitive basis.

Income from the fund(s) that is not awarded as a scholarship in any category in a given year may be returned to the appropriate account and accumulated as additional capital or paid out in scholarships in any subsequent year.