



FULL-RIDE SCHOLARSHIP COLORADO GARDEN SHOW, INC.

I. Scholarship:

This scholarship offered by Colorado Garden Show, Inc. is a four-year full-ride scholarship available to an incoming freshman resident from Colorado 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 15th***. 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) 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) 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:

ACADEMIC RECORD:	Complete official transcript of high school grades is required.
APPLICANT'S LETTER:	Discussion of background, goals, personal commitment to chosen career, financial need. (Limited to 2 pages. Typed or computer generated pages are preferred.)
LISTING OF HONORS/EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES/WORK EXPERIENCE:	This information should be supplied on a separate sheet of paper, and not be listed within the body of applicant's letter.
FINANCIAL NEED:	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.
RECOMMENDATIONS:	Three required letters of recommendation submitted (Limited to 1 page each. Typed or computer generated pages preferred.)



APPLICATION FORM FOR FULL-RIDE SCHOLARSHIP

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 15th.**

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 upcoming 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 _____