



# MARSHALL ISLANDS Scholarship, Grant and Loan Board

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## Requirements for New Undergraduate Applicants

To be eligible for consideration, a new applicant must submit a completed application form for financial assistance along with the following supporting documents. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

1. Official and Certified Transcripts for high school graduates; a GED Certificate, or transcripts from other postsecondary institutions attended. The minimum requirement for high school graduate is a grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 and cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 2.5 for college students applying for the first time.
2. An essay in English on the applicant's educational goals and career plans, including special projects and activities accomplished in high school. It must be at least two full pages long (double space typed).
3. Two letters of reference from people who can knowledgeably testify about the applicant's scholastic ability and preparation for higher education, such as teachers, counselors, school administrators, or other responsible adults. Family members are excluded.
4. For students graduating high school certified results of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or the American College Testing (ACT) or Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) taken within the past 2 years. The minimum score required by the MISGLB is 550 for the TOEFL or the intermediate score for the Revised Paper-delivered Test (15-21 for Reading and Listening components and 17-23 for the Writing component), 20 for the ACT, and 1010 for the SAT. Applicants enrolled at the College of the Marshall Island (CMI) are exempted provided that they passed the English and Mathematics components of the CMI Placement Test or an equivalent test approved by CMI and enrolls in college credit courses. Students who have completed the RMI-USP Joint Education Foundation program are exempted. Graduates of any post-secondary schools within Micronesia, including CMI graduates, are also exempted.
5. A copy of the Letter of Acceptance from the institution the applicant wishes to attend.
6. Proof that the applicant has the financial aid resources necessary to cover academic and living costs. Depending on the context, the applicant must submit one or more of the following:
  - a. Copies of the Student Aid Report (SAR) and Financial Aid Award Letter (FAAL) from the institution the applicant wishes to attend, indicating the amount of aid the applicant will receive from Federal Student Aid Programs (Pell Grant) and other scholarship sources.
  - b. Dependent applicants must provide parents' check stub and proof of sufficient financial resources whereby the MISGLB will utilize its estimated family contribution formula on the Regulations handbook.
  - c. Independent applicants must provide proof of their own source of income or spouses' check stub and proof of other financial resources.

7. An applicant residing in the Republic of the Marshall Islands must obtain a health clearance from the Ministry of Health to verify the applicant's good physical, mental, and emotional health.
8. A copy evidencing that the applicant has completed any preparatory courses is required for those pursuing technical or vocational education degree or certification at any vocational or technical schools.
9. Copy of the applicant's current and valid RMI Passport.
10. Copy of the applicant's Rental Agreement when residing off-campus.
11. Passport Size photo attached to application.
12. Proof of Health Insurance coverage.