

*AMERICAN CRIMINAL JUSTICE ASSOCIATION  
LAMBDA ALPHA EPSILON  
PHI ALPHA EPSILON WIU CHAPTER  
SCHOLARSHIP*

Lambda Alpha Epsilon (Phi Alpha Epsilon Chapter) has initiated a criminal justice scholarship to encourage high academic achievement by declared Law Enforcement and Justice Administration majors at Western Illinois University. The Lambda Alpha Epsilon (LAE) Scholarship will be awarded to a student, or students, who will be selected from applicants meeting the established criteria (requirements).

I. ELIGIBILITY:

- A. Only Lambda Alpha Epsilon members are eligible to apply.
- B. LAE WIU Chapter members who are enrolled as full-time students, (12 s.h.), with a declared LEJA major are eligible. Students must have completed at least three (3) LEJA courses and must be enrolled in a LEJA or related course (e.g., business, computer science) when applying for the scholarship.
- C. A minimum overall grade point average of B (3.0) is required.
- D. **APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR.** Late and/or incomplete applications will not be considered. No exceptions!
- E. Both graduate students and undergraduate students are eligible to apply for this scholarship.

II. PROCEDURE:

- A. Application Packet must include:
  - 1. LAE Membership Verification;
  - 2. Official copy of transcripts from all colleges and/or universities attended;
  - 3. A prepared paper reflecting the theme of the National Conference. Paper should be 2-3 pages in narrative form, typed, double-spaced, standard margins. (Title and bibliography not included.);
  - 4. A prepared statement of career and educational goals, how the applicant plans to fulfill these goals, and how the scholarship will help the applicant attain these goals;
  - 5. One letter of recommendation from a Faculty member, current or former employer, and/or a community member.

- B. Deliver all materials to:  
Department of Law Enforcement and Justice Administration  
Western Illinois University  
Stipes Hall 403  
Macomb, IL 61455

### III. CRITERIA FOR SELECTION:

Selection will be made by the Scholarship Committee after:

- A. Evaluation of transcript(s). Confirmation of cumulative grade point average in Admission Office and/or LEJA Advisor.
- B. Criteria of judging papers submitted on the stated Conference theme shall be according to the following:
  - 1. Adherence to theme: 20%
  - 2. Originality: 20%
  - 3. Spelling, grammar, and appearance: 10%
  - 4. Intellectual content, including logical development of ideas, reasoning skills and comprehension of the subject matter: 40%
  - 5. Documentation of sources through footnotes, textual references, bibliography, etc.: 10%
- C. Statement of goals.
- D. Financial need, race, age, sex, religion, or national origin will not be considered in selecting recipients.
- E. Consideration of letters of recommendation.

### IV. THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:

The Scholarship Committee shall consist of:

- A. The WIU LEJA Department Advisor for LEJA and one LEJA Department faculty member and/or other faculty member involved in advising LEJA majors.
- B. The President of LAE and/or other Chapter Officer.

### V. GENERAL:

The Lambda Alpha Epsilon Scholarship Committee reserves the right to make the final determination as to who will receive the award; all decisions will be final. The amount of the Scholarship will be determined each year by the amount available in the scholarship fund. The award (stipend) will be credited to the recipients WIU academic (student) account.

*Student Scholarship Application Packet*  
*Lambda Alpha Epsilon*

Directions:

1. Be certain to answer all questions contained in the application. (Feel free to attach a copy of your professional resume with the required application.)
2. Include the required school transcripts and letters of recommendation.
3. Complete required career and educational goals statement contained in packet.
4. Attach the original copy of your prepared paper reflecting the theme of the National Conference. Paper should be 2/3 pages in narrative form, typed, double-spaced, standard margins. (Title and bibliography not included.)
5. Deliver all materials to:  
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Western Illinois University  
Stipes Hall 403  
Macomb, IL 61455  
Phone (309)298-1439 or 298-1038

This application must be received on or before MARCH 1 of the current year, WIU spring semester. Late and/or incomplete applications will not be considered. No Exceptions!



## *Career and Educational Goals Statement*

Student's Career and Educational Goals:

Student's Plan for Accomplishing Goals:

Explanation of How This Scholarship Would Help Accomplish Student's Goals:

CERTIFICATION: *ALL OF THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS APPLICATION AND ATTACHED PAPERS\* ARE TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.*

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*(Student's Signature)*

*(Date)*

\*Attach additional pages if necessary