

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN – BUFFALO  
BRANCH**

***CATALYST FOR CHANGE SCHOLARSHIP 2025***

**The Catalyst for Change Scholarship will be awarded to students who have demonstrated success in a program or project that has effected positive change for women or girls.**

**The complete application including the official transcript, essay, reference, and endorsement letter must be postmarked no later than February 19, 2025. Application must be typed or computer printed. Handwritten or incomplete applications will not be considered. Electronic submissions are accepted with an e-signature.**

Please fill out this questionnaire carefully and completely. The information you provide will help us in the selection process by letting us learn about you, your achievements, and your goals. Be sure to respond to all questions. Your responses will be kept confidential.

Direct any questions to [catalyst@aauwbuffalo.org](mailto:catalyst@aauwbuffalo.org)

SCHOLARSHIP FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING: (PLEASE CHECK ONE)

- A FEMALE COLLEGE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT ENROLLED IN A POST-SECONDARY PROGRAM
- A FEMALE GRADUATE STUDENT ADMITTED OR ENROLLED IN A GRADUATE PROGRAM

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**I. GENERAL INFORMATION (MUST BE COMPUTER PRINTED)**

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Name:

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(Last) (First) (Middle)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Street)

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(City)

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(State) (Zip)

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Telephone number\* Email Date of Birth

\*If you expect we may have difficulty contacting you, please list an alternative contact:

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E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you learn of this scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

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**II. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

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Name and address of school you now attend

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Name and address of school you will attend in September

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Degree program to  
which you are enrolled

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Major

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Status/level

Any clarifying comments you wish to make:

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**III. FUTURE EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL AMBITIONS**

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**IV. Forward OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS To:**

**AAUW Catalyst for Change Scholarship, PO Box 239, Amherst, NY 14226-9998**

**Forward official transcripts from all colleges / universities.**

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**V. SUPPORTING LETTERS:**

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1. Provide an evaluation from an Advisor, Professor, or Mentor who can testify to your success in a program or project.

Name of reference: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

2. Provide an endorsement from an Advisor, Professor, or Mentor who can evaluate your potential for success in your chosen field.

Name of reference: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**VI.** *Attach to this application a 500 word typed, double spaced, essay explaining how you have demonstrated the philosophy of the AAUW movement in your own experience and achievement, and relate this to your future educational and professional ambitions. The American Association of University Women (AAUW) is the nation's leading voice promoting equity and education for women and girls. Since our founding in 1881, AAUW members have examined and taken positions on the fundamental issues of the day - educational, social, economic, and political.*

Our Mission: Advancing equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.

**VII. Publicity Release:**

I consent to the use of my picture and /or non-confidential information to be used in press releases for publicity purposes by AAUW.

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Signature of applicant

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Date

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**VIII. Affidavit:** I declare and affirm that the statements made in this application, including accompanying documents, are true, complete, and correct.

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Signature of applicant

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Date

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**Checklist for applicant:**

- Application sent to: AAUW Catalyst for Change, PO Box 239, Amherst, NY 14226-9998
- General Information
  - Educational Background
  - Future Educational and Professional Ambitions
  - Official transcripts
  - Supporting Letters from two different individuals
    1. From someone who can evaluate your role in a program or project that has effected positive change for women or girls
    2. From someone who can evaluate your potential for success in your chosen field.
  - 500 Word Essay typed double spaced
- Publicity Release Reference(s) Requested

Addendum #1  
EVALUATION OF PROGRAM OR PROJECT

**Applicant's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**The above named student has applied for an American Association of University Women (AAUW) Buffalo Branch *Catalyst for Change* Scholarship that will be awarded to students who have demonstrated success in an effort that has effected positive change for women or girls.**

**We ask for your candid evaluation of the applicant's role in a program or project designed to effect positive change for women or girls. Your response will be kept confidential. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance.**

**(Should you choose, you are welcome to attach your evaluation on your professional letterhead.)**

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title or Position \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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Addendum #2  
ADVISOR / PROFESSOR / MENTOR ENDORSEMENT

**Applicant's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title or Position \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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