



KEEP THE FIRE BURNING FOR JUSTICE

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The Chief Joseph L. Jones Scholarship

(International Association of Black Professional Fire Fighters Scholarship)

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1. One of the Columbia Southern Education Group institutions, Columbia Southern University or Waldorf University, will provide one online scholarship to the selected member of **International Association of Black Professional Fire Fighters**.
2. The name of this scholarship will be called the **Chief Joseph L. Jones Scholarship**.
3. **Scholarship Amount:** The online scholarship can be used at Columbia Southern University or Waldorf University for a value of up to \$17,700, 60 semester hours, 24 months, or degree completion, whichever comes first. The scholarship will be applied: 1) after the evaluation results have been applied to the selected online degree program; 2) directly to the recipient's tuition for up to two years or until the completion of the selected online degree program, whichever comes first. The recipient may not switch to a different degree program during the scholarship award period. Textbooks will be the responsibility of the scholarship recipient.
4. **Scholarship Application Period:** The scholarship application period will open for the 2019 Chief Joseph L. Jones Scholarship on 23 May 2019. All applications, scholarship essays, and transcripts must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. on 6 July, August 2019. The selection process will begin shortly thereafter. Applications and essays will be evaluated exclusively by the IABPFF Award Committee whose decision is final. The scholarship award presentation will coincide with the annual IABPFF Convention.
5. **Scholarship Application Packet:** The scholarship application packet must include: a 350 word essay (hard copy and electronic copy), a completed Statement of Understanding, and a recent photo. Three essays will advance to the semi-finals round of the scholarship. Applicants will be judged on content, delivery, and language. Chapter Presidents and Regional Directors signatures are required. If no Chapter President, only the signature of the Regional Director is necessary. Applications must be post marked and received by midnight of the deadline date.
6. **Scholarship Essay Theme:** Mission Statement of the International Association of Black Professional Firefighters is to create a liaison between our Brothers and Sisters of color globally. To collect and evaluate data on all deleterious conditions impacting all areas where injustices exist in the fire service, in our communities, and implement action to correct them. "HOW CAN THE IABPFF ACCOMPLISH ITS

MISSION". For more information, contact TIA ELLIS, LINDSEY PLUMMER or JAMES HILL at iabpffofc@aol.com or visit our website at www.iabpf.org

7. **Scholarship Eligibility:** The scholarship applicant must: be an IABPFF member for 2 + years; have a high school transcript or equivalent (GED); possess good character; as well as be involved in some type of extra-curricular activity, community service, church activity, or outside employment. All scholarship essays must be: typed, double spaced, submitted in written and electronic form (disc or drive) with the member's name placed in the upper right hand corner of each page. Submission must be mailed to: Chief Joseph L. Jones Scholarship, IABPFF, Inc., P.O. Box 226983, Dallas, Texas 7522-6983.
8. **Organization Obligations:** International Association of Black Professional Fire Fighters will notify their winning member of the scholarship, as well as promote it throughout the application period with CSEG and International Association of Black Professional Fire Fighters approved material; i.e. flyers, member intranet blurb, email, or other CSEG approved material. International Association of Black Professional Fire Fighters acknowledges that a CSEG representative will publicly present the scholarship award to the recipient at an International Association of Black Professional Fire Fighters event. The recipient must attend the award presentation. The International Association of Black Professional Fire Fighters will collaborate with CSEG and agree to provide CSEG with the event details in a timely manner to allow for the appropriate travel preparation.
9. **Enrollment:** The scholarship recipient is required to enroll 90 days from the date of the award notification. The scholarship will remain active for 24 consecutive months from the start date provided on the enrollment, but regardless of the date of enrollment, the scholarship shall not exceed 27 months from the date of the award notification. Also, continuous enrollment is not required.
10. **Admissible Requirements:** Scholarship recipients are required to maintain a minimum 2.0 undergraduate GPA and 3.0 graduate GPA. All scholarship applicants that are current students must meet the minimum GPA requirements of this scholarship in their current degree program to be eligible to apply.
11. **Compliance with University Rules:** The recipient is expected to abide by all university rules, regulations, and guidelines explained in the student handbook.
12. **Termination:** CSEG may terminate the scholarship offer if the proposed recipient does not reply by the offer deadline or does not comply with the provisions of this agreement.
13. **Transferability:** The scholarship recipient does not have the right to transfer or assign his/her interest in the scholarship to any other party.
14. **Entire Agreement:** This agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties and there are no other promises or conditions in any other agreement either oral or written. This Agreement supersedes any prior written or oral agreements between both parties. This Agreement may be modified or amended if the amendment is made in writing and is signed by both parties. **Please note that all scholarships are subject to yearly review.**



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International Association of Black Professional Fire Fighters Joseph L. Jones Statement of Understanding

I understand and agree to the following rules of eligibility to apply for the Joseph L. Jones Scholarship sponsored by Columbia Southern Education Group and the International Association of Black Professional Fire Fighters. The award recipient will be presented at the Annual Convention Banquet, Wednesday August 07, 2019. I understand and agree that any infraction of the rules will render me ineligible to compete or receive a scholarship from the sponsoring organizations.

1. I must submit an essay based on the required criteria.
2. I must present my essay at the annual convention banquet Wednesday, August 07, 2019.
3. I must submit a recent photograph of myself (head shot).
4. I agree that the decision of the scholarship committee shall be final and not challenged by me or anyone on my behalf.

Please Print

Member Name

Address

Telephone Number—Cell Number

Email Address

Member's Signature

I understand and agree to the above Statement of Understanding to determine my eligibility to apply for the Chief Joseph L. Jones Scholarship sponsored by the International Association of Black Professional Fire Fighters.

Chapter President Signature

Regional Director Signature