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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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History

The scholarship assistance sporadically provided by the Swiss Benevolent Society of New York became a formal program in 1979, when a legacy from Swiss businessman Andrew Pellegrini provided the funds for the regular payment of grants.

A bequest from Sonia Streuli Maguire permitted the establishment of an Outstanding Scholastic Achievement award named in her honor.

In 1990, the Swiss Benevolent Society of Philadelphia joined forces with the SBS of New York, which led to the expansion of the geographical area covered.

In 1996, a long-time member donated funds to institute the Medicus Student Exchange between Switzerland and the United States.

A gift from the Marie and John Zimmermann Fund in 1999 allowed the creation of Zimmermann Scholarships for graduate students.

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Scholarship Programs

In conjunction with the Swiss Benevolent Society of Philadelphia, the Swiss Benevolent Society of New York offers the following Scholarship Programs:

Pellegrini Scholarships

PELLEGRINI SCHOLARSHIPS are partial tuition grants. They are awarded at the post secondary level for vocational, undergraduate and graduate studies at an accredited school. They are based on need and merit (GPA3.0), or on merit alone (not available to Freshmen). Pellegrini grants are paid in two installments directly to the recipient's school at the beginning of the Fall and Spring semesters, upon official registration confirmation. These grants do not renew automatically, but may be applied for each year.

Sonia Streuli Maguire Outstanding Scholastic Achievement (OSA) Award

The Sonia Streuli Maguire OUTSTANDING SCHOLASTICACHIEVEMENT AWARD may be granted to a college senior or graduate student who demonstrates sustained academic excellence (GPA3.8 min.) in a demanding program. This one-time award will be paid to the school at the beginning of the Fall semester.

Medicus Student Exchange

The MEDICUS STUDENT EXCHANGE provides one-time, partial support for U.S. residents at the senior or graduate level who have been accepted by a Swiss University or Federal Institute of Technology or Technical College (Fachhochschule). Residents of Switzerland may apply for grants to study in the U.S. through the CRUS, Sennweg 2, 3012 Bern. Grants are paid to the school upon proof of registration.

Zimmermann Scholarships

ZIMMERMANN SCHOLARSHIPS are one-time grants awarded to graduate students with the highest cumulative GPA of at least 3.8. They are paid directly to the school in semester installments.

All applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee, which will award the scholarship for which the applicant is best suited. Decisions made by the Scholarship Committee are final and cannot be appealed or discussed.

All applications and supporting documents must be sent by March 31,2012 to:

SWISS BENEVOLENT SOCIETY
Scholarship Fund
500 Fifth Avenue, Room 1800
New York NY 10110

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A Note to the Applicant:

All information contained in the application and supporting documentation will be held in the strictest confidence. The information you provide is distributed only to the members of the Scholarship Committee.

No applications and other documents will be returned.

Telephone inquiries cannot be answered; you must submit any questions in writing. You may use regular mail or email us at scholarship@sbsny.org

Incomplete or late (postmarked after March 31, 2012) applications will not be considered.

Applications may not be submitted electronically.

Applicants will be notified of the Committee's decision in June.

To be eligible for consideration, the forms must be filled out completely and neatly. You may reproduce them on your computer. Please follow the instructions carefully!

Using these forms with Acrobat Reader:

The online version of this document contains fields which can be filled in prior to printing. It can be identified by its original filename: [scholarships.pdf](#). We recommend using the online version, however, you may also fill in the fields by means of typing or in writing (as long as it is filled out legibly and in block letters), using either version.

Save your file:

We suggest you save the file to your hard drive first, then click in the fillable field (you can navigate them by using the tab key) and fill them out appropriately. Once you have entered all the information, you can print it out. Don't forget to save your changes.

What if I need more space?

If for any reason any field is not large enough for your information, then please complete that field in writing, making notes and references where necessary.

Printing Tips:

Forms in this document may be printed separately by selecting Print from the File menu, then specifying the pages you want to print.

Forms may be found online at <http://www.sbsny.org/scholarships.htm>

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Supporting Documents Required

All applications:

- General (GEN) and Scholastic (SCHOL) pages of application packet.
- **Official** Transcripts of all high school, college and graduate grades when applying for the first time,
- **Official** updates thereafter.
- SAT or GRE results when applying for the first time.
- Proof of Swiss citizenship of applicant or one parent when applying for the first time (copy of Swiss passport, Consulate recognition letter or similar).
- Proof of U.S. citizenship or visa status when applying for the first time.

Pellegrini Scholarships:

- Financial (FIN) pages of application packet, including all requested information, unless applying for merit portion only (not available to freshmen). Applicants claiming 'dependent' status are to submit complete financial information for their parents.
- Signed copy of all pages and schedules of Federal Income Tax returns, and of W-2 forms of applicant and supporting party and/or spouse, where applicable.
- Proof of cost for tuition and room and board; copy of bursar's bill; high school applicants provide figures of anticipated cost.
- One current letter of reference from high school principal or guidance counselor, or from a professor in the applicant's major area of study, **on official letterhead**.

Sonia Streuli Maguire Outstanding Scholastic Achievement Awards:

- Two academic recommendations from professors in the applicant's major area of study, **on official letterhead**.

Medicus Student Exchange:

For studies in Switzerland:

- Letter of acceptance from Swiss University, Federal Institute of Technology or Technical College (Fachhochschule).
- Two academic recommendations from professors in the applicant's major area of study, on official letterhead.
- Proof of proficiency in the language of instruction.
- Statement of sufficient total funding (FIN-1).

For studies in the U.S.:

- **Official** transcripts of at least one year's studies in the U.S.
- Transcripts of education in Switzerland.
- One letter of recommendation from a professor in the applicant's major area of study, **on official letterhead**

Zimmermann Scholarships:

- Two academic recommendations from professors in the applicant's major area of study, **on official letterhead**.

The information you provide is distributed only to the members of the Scholarship Committee and will be kept strictly confidential. Please make sure that all documents are **complete, legible** and properly signed!
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Please Check All Programs Applied For.....

(The Scholarship Committee will consider each application in the light of the applicant's circumstances, for the scholarship best suited to him or her.)

- Pellegrini Scholarship - Full-time Studies
- Outstanding Scholastic Achievement Award
- Medicus Student Exchange
- Zimmermann Scholarship

To be eligible for consideration, applications must be filled out completely and neatly, either:
 1) **Save this document to your hard drive, then use the fill-in fields before printing;** or
 2) Print this document, then type; or 3) Print this document and print in block letters with a black pen. Computer reproductions are acceptable. Late or incomplete entries will not be considered.

Applicant's Name.....	_____		
Home Address.....	_____		
City, State, Postal Code..	_____		
E-mail Address.....	_____		
Telephone Number.....	_____	Social Security No...	_____
Date of Birth.....	_____	Place of Birth.....	_____

Proof of Swiss Citizenship or Parentage.....	_____
Proof of U.S. Citizenship or visa status.....	_____

Financial Status.....	<input type="radio"/> Dependent	<input type="radio"/> Independent	Community of Origin: _____
Academic Status.....	<input type="radio"/> Undergraduate	<input type="radio"/> Graduate	

If Employed:

Occupation.....	_____	Full Time? <input type="radio"/> Yes	Year Round? <input type="radio"/> Yes
Employer's Name.....	_____		
Employer's Address.....	_____		
City, State, Postal Code..	_____		

If Married:

Spouse's Name...	_____	Occupation	_____
Spouse's Employer	_____		
Employer's Address.....	_____		
City, State, Postal Code..	_____		
Name of Dependent.....	_____	Age.....	_____
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Scholarship Fund General Information: Dependent Students

Father's Name	
Father's Address.....	
Occupation [If retired, give date of retirement and former occupation]	
Father's Employer	
Employer's Address	
City, State, Postal Code..	
Mother's Name	
Mother's Address.....	
Occupation [If retired, give date of retirement and former occupation]	
Mother's Employer	
Employer's Address	
City, State, Postal Code..	

Parents' Other Dependents:

Name:	Date of Birth	Education:	Occupation:

If Parents Are Divorced or Separated:

Applicant lives with..... Mother Father Other [List Name & Relationship Below]

Obligations of Non-Custodial Parent(s) _____

Other Circumstances That Should Be Considered:

Scholarship Fund General Information: All Students

High School(s) Attended From Grades 9-12

School(s)	Dates of Attendance	Cumulative GPA
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> _____ _____ _____ </div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> _____ _____ _____ </div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> _____ _____ _____ </div>
Graduation Date <input style="width: 80px;" type="text"/> SAT Date..... <input style="width: 80px;" type="text"/>	Class Rank <input style="width: 40px;" type="text"/> Scores: M <input style="width: 40px;" type="text"/>	Of How Many <input style="width: 40px;" type="text"/> C <input style="width: 40px;" type="text"/>

Undergraduate Studies

School(s)	Dates of Attendance	Cumulative GPA
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> _____ _____ _____ </div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> _____ _____ _____ </div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> _____ _____ _____ </div>
Degree and Date Received <input style="width: 120px;" type="text"/> or Degree and Date Expected <input style="width: 120px;" type="text"/>	Major / Field... <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/> Major / Field... <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> _____ _____ </div>

Graduate Studies

School(s)	Dates of Attendance	Cumulative GPA
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> _____ _____ _____ </div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> _____ _____ _____ </div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> _____ _____ _____ </div>
Degree and Date Received <input style="width: 120px;" type="text"/> or Degree and Date Expected <input style="width: 120px;" type="text"/>	Major / Field... <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/> Major / Field... <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> _____ _____ </div>

School Currently Attending or Schools Applied To [in order of preference]

Applicants for MSE grant should provide the name of the Swiss University or Federal Institute of Technology.

Name, City, State	Date Applied	Date Accepted
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> _____ _____ _____ _____ </div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> _____ _____ _____ _____ </div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> _____ _____ _____ _____ </div>
Major / Field.. <input style="width: 90%; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/>		

Financial Information Pellegrini and Medicus Applicants

Expenses [per college year at the school you attend or plan to attend]

	Actual 2011/12	Estimated 2012/13
Tuition and Fees	\$ _____	\$ _____
Room and Board	\$ _____	\$ _____
Books and Supplies	\$ _____	\$ _____
Total Per Year	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other Related Expenses	\$ _____	\$ _____

Explain _____

Do you live..... on campus at home off campus

Applicant's Sources of Financing

	Received in 2011/12	Expected in 2012/13
a] Scholarships/Grants:	\$ _____ \$ _____	\$ _____ \$ _____

b] Loans:	\$ _____ \$ _____	\$ _____ \$ _____

c] Employment: List Employer & Dates of Employment	\$ _____ \$ _____	\$ _____ \$ _____

d] Other: Describe Source: (i.e.: Savings, Gifts, etc.)	\$ _____ \$ _____	\$ _____ \$ _____

e] Contributions: From Parents or Supporting Party: If parents are divorced, contribution from non-custodial parent:	\$ _____ \$ _____	\$ _____ \$ _____

Total For Year.....	\$ _____	\$ _____

Supporting Party

If your supporting party is someone other than your parents or spouse, give name, address and relationship:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address _____

Occupation: _____

Financial Information Pellegrini Applicants Only

Total Income [of supporting party or independent student]

Enclose signed copy of *complete* 2011 Federal Income Tax return, including schedules. If 2011 is not available, enclose 2010 return. If married, provide figures for spouse also. Incomplete financial information may disqualify applicant.

a) Income Earned From Work.....	\$ _____
b) Income From Other Sources [Child Support, Investments, Alimony, etc.].....	\$ _____
Total Income	\$ _____

Assets and liabilities of supporting party or independent student

a) Cash, Savings & Other Bank Accounts.....	\$ _____
b) Restricted Retirement Savings [IRAs, 401-k & 403-b Plans].....	\$ _____
c) Investments.....	\$ _____
d) Real Estate: Cost.....	\$ _____
Market Value.....	\$ _____
Existing Mortgage.....	\$ _____
Real Estate Total.....	\$ _____
e) Other Assets.....	\$ _____
c) Loans Outstanding: [describe]	
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
c) Other Liabilities: [describe]	
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

Signature — All Applicants

The applicant and/or his/her supporting party are held responsible for supplying correct and complete information on this form.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date and Place: _____

Supporting party's signature: _____

Date and place: _____

Are all requested documents enclosed? Check our cover letter! Thank you.