



FIAT CHRYSLER AUTOMOBILES

I. Purpose

The ***Fiat Chrysler Automobiles (FCA) Scholarship for BDPA Students*** is intended to provide financial assistance to a graduating high school senior or college pursuing a degree in Information Technology (IT) or an IT related discipline.

II. Criteria/Eligibility

The FCA BDPA Scholarship Committee will review completed applications. Finalists will be selected based on the following:

- Must be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States
- Must be a member of a BDPA chapter located within the United States
- Must be a graduating high school senior or full-time college student (in good standing, with at least 1 year of study left in their 4-year college program, per their academic institution's standards) pursuing a degree in Information Technology or an IT related discipline.
- Must demonstrate academic achievement via school transcripts – minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on 4.0 scale.
- Must submit a typed essay on *'How Information Technology has Impacted the Auto Industry'*
- Must provide a passport-sized digital photo
- Must provide two letters of recommendation
- Must submit a completed and signed FCA Scholarship for BDPA Students application.
- Must provide proof of acceptance or registration in a 4-year degree program before receiving award

III. Award Description

The FCA BDPA Scholarship Committee will award up to four (4) \$2,500 one-time only scholarships to a Detroit area graduating high school senior or college student with at least 1 year of study left in their 4-year college program.

IV. Application Deadline

The completed application, typed essay, two letters of recommendation, and transcript must be received by the FCA BDPA Scholarship Committee, **no later than Friday, January 8, 2016, 5:00pm ET**. It is the sole responsibility of the applicant to take the necessary action and precautions to insure that the completed application packet is received by the deadline.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION

1. Applicants must review and be able to meet the eligibility criteria described above.
2. In order for an application to be deemed complete, all application fields must be completed, and the essay must be included as described in the application. No omissions are acceptable.
3. Two letters of recommendation must be submitted in support of this application. The two people you ask to submit letters of recommendation should know you well and be able to comment on your qualifications for the scholarship. The recommenders should provide their contact information. Letters of recommendation may be submitted separately, but please make sure that your name is clearly noted on all pages of the documents.
4. Each applicant must submit academic transcripts. Official, unopened, transcripts may be mailed directly to the address below, or submitted with application.

This completed application, typed essay, letters of recommendation, and an academic transcript **must be received** by the FCA BDPA Scholarship Committee, **no later than Friday, January 8, 2016, 5:00pm ET**. For questions, please contact the BDPA Detroit Chapter Scholarship Committee by email at [Detroit@betf.org](mailto:DETROIT@BETF.ORG).

5. Applications and supporting materials must be sent to the following address:

**BDPA Detroit Chapter
Attn: Scholarship Committee
440 Burroughs, Suite 115
Detroit, MI 48202**

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Application
- Essay
- Two Letters of Recommendations -
- Academic Transcript (still unclear on this one)
- Active BDPA Membership

Today's Date: _____

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RECEIVED DATE: _____

RECEIVED BY: _____

FCA BDPA Scholarship Application

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

NAME: _____

PERMANENT ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

LOCAL ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT): _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

CAREER GOAL: _____ BDPA CHAPTER: _____

COLLEGE MAJOR (PLANNED/CURRENT): _____

SCHOOL INFO	SCHOOL NAME, CITY AND STATE	CLASSIFICATION (Freshmen, Sophomore, Junior, or Senior)	GPA	ANTICIPATED or ACTUAL GRADUATION DATE (mm/yy)
High School				
College or University attending in 2015/16 (if currently attending college)				
College or university you will attend in 2016/17	Enter 1st choice college			
	Enter 2nd choice college (if undecided)			

*Provide the information requested below. Feel free to use list-type format rather than complete sentences.
Use separate sheet if necessary.*

ACTIVITIES:

List and describe any involvement in technology-related activities. Examples: computer club, personal website or blog, technology event participation, BDPA High School Computer Competition, internships and so forth. Specify dates and any leadership roles you held.

List any non-technology-related extra-curricular, team, and community activities. Specify any leadership roles (Co-Captain of sports team, Youth Conference participant, Chess Club president, etc.).

VOLUNTEER WORK:

List and describe the civic and community volunteer activities in which you participated in the last two years. Describe your participation and the time involved (Specify dates). Identify each activity, your participation.

AWARDS AND HONORS:

List scholarships, academic, civic, volunteer, and other awards and honors that you've received.

ESSAY: (Up to 500 words max)

Fiat Chrysler Automobile maintains a set of strong values and a dedicated commitment to the bettering our local communities. Type an essay on the subject of ‘**How Information Technology has Impacted the Auto Industry**’. Please submit the essay with the application.

CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE

Scholarship recipients agree to the BDPA Education and Technology Foundation and the BDPA Detroit Chapter’s right to publicize the award and to use the recipient’s image and name. Recipients agree to participate in follow-up studies/questionnaires designed to monitor the effectiveness of the scholarship program.

Each of the undersigned certifies that the information submitted is correct. The applicant and, if applicant is a high student or minor, applicant's parent/guardian will promptly notify the FCA BDPA Detroit Scholarship Committee of any address change, or change in college/school designated herein, or other change in educational plans which would impact any scholarship grant awarded. (Contact the BDPA Detroit Chapter Scholarship Committee at [Detroit@betf.org](mailto:DETROIT@BETF.ORG).)

Each recipient understands it is their obligation to provide information regarding their college’s Financial Aid office information so that BDPA Education and Technology Foundation may send the award directly to the Financial Aid office and have it correctly applied to the winner’s account.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Print Applicant’s Name Clearly

Signature of Parent or Guardian
(Required if Applicant is a high school student or minor)

Date

Print Parent/Guardian’s Name Clearly