



IONA BERRY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The **Iona Berry Memorial Scholarship**, established in 2003, demonstrates the credit union founding philosophy of “People Helping People.” The Scholarship will award up to three \$1,000 scholarships and four \$500 scholarships to members who demonstrate academic excellence, citizenship and credit union participation.

Our application period is from November through February annually.

APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE AT NovaCU.com

How to apply:

1. Submit the completed application

2. Please include a high school senior class photo—You are granting us permission for your name and photo to be used in Nova CU’s newsletter, website or social media by your submission of the scholarship application.

3. Mail the application, high school/college transcripts, copy of college/university letter of acceptance (if you are a high school senior) **and two letters of recommendation by end of February to:**

Nova Credit Union
Attn.: Scholarship Committee
3601 Mulberry Church Road
Charlotte, NC 28208

Please make certain to provide all information requested as incomplete applications will not be considered. If necessary, you may make photocopies and attach any additional pages needed to complete your application.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

• **You are eligible to apply if you are a primary member of Nova CU with your own account.** If you are not a member, you may join Nova CU before submitting your scholarship application and become eligible to apply. Your accounts (checking, debit card, savings, etc.) must be in good standing with no delinquent or charged-off loans or shares.

• **You must be a graduating high school senior or current college student** who will enroll in an undergraduate or graduate course of study during the following next year at an accredited two-year or four year college, university or vocational-technical school in the United States.

HOW ARE RECIPIENTS SELECTED?

The Iona Berry Memorial Scholarships are awarded to members who demonstrate academic excellence, citizenship, community, and school involvement. **Only complete applications will be considered. Complete application must be received at Nova CU by end of February.**

HOW MUCH ARE THE AWARDS?

Nova CU will award up to three \$1,000 scholarships and four \$500 scholarships directly to the recipients.

QUESTIONS?

Please contact Andrea Van Beek at (704) 392-3418, ext. 622, or via email at avanbeek@novacu.com.

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EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

List all jobs you have held, including a supervisor who can verify your employment. Briefly, describe your responsibilities and hours worked per week. You may attach a separate sheet if necessary.

Employer	Supervisor	Responsibilities	Employment Dates	Hours/Week

ESSAY

Please attach your **one page** essay: **“Tell us about the teacher who made the biggest difference in your life and why.”**

RECOMMENDATIONS

Your application must include at least two references from persons not related to you. We prefer that one be a teacher or counselor at your school. The forms included with this application may be copied and given to those submitting a reference on your behalf instead of writing a letter. Please list your two references and their occupation/relationship to you.

Personal Reference #1 Name	Occupation/Relationship	Personal Reference #2 Name	Occupation/Relationship

APPLICANT CHECKLIST This application becomes complete only after you have submitted all of the following:

- Nova CU Account Number**
- Current or High School Senior Class Photo** (may be used in news releases, Nova CU newsletter and website)
- Application Form**
- Essay** (one page)
- High School/College Transcripts** (may be submitted separately to the Scholarship Committee)
- Copy of your Letter of Acceptance from the College or University** (if you are a high school senior)
- Two Letters of Reference or Two Personal Recommendation Forms** (may be submitted separately to the Scholarship Committee)

IMPORTANT: ONLY A COMPLETED APPLICATION WILL BE CONSIDERED!

Mail to:
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COMPLETE APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED AT NOVA CU BY END OF FEBRUARY.

SIGNATURE

I, the applicant, certify that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature	Date
X	

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PERSONAL REFERENCE #1

You have been asked to submit a reference on behalf of this applicant for the Nova Credit Union Iona Berry Memorial Scholarship program. **You may simply answer these questions on this form, or you may write a letter using this form as a guide.**

THIS FORM OR LETTER MUST BE RECEIVED BY END OF FEBRUARY.

Mail to:
Nova Credit Union
Attn.: Scholarship Committee
3601 Mulberry Church Road
Charlotte, NC 28208

Name of Scholarship Applicant

How do you know the Applicant?

Comments on the Applicant's personal character:

What characteristics do you consider his/her greatest attributes?

Any additional comments (you may attach a separate sheet if necessary):

Prepared by (please print name)	Phone Number	Occupation/Relationship to Applicant
Signature		Date
X		

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PERSONAL REFERENCE #2

You have been asked to submit a reference on behalf of this applicant for the Nova Credit Union Iona Berry Memorial Scholarship program. **You may simply answer these questions on this form, or you may write a letter using this form as a guide.**

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Mail to:
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Name of Scholarship Applicant

How do you know the Applicant?

Comments on the Applicant's personal character:

What characteristics do you consider his/her greatest attributes?

Any additional comments (you may attach a separate sheet if necessary):

Prepared by (please print name)	Phone Number	Occupation/Relationship to Applicant
Signature		Date
X		