



**ZONTA**  
**CLUB OF  
BEAUFORT**

## **Scholarship for Working Women**

**2026 APPLICATION**

**Applications Must be Received by  
April 2, 2026**

**LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE  
ACCEPTED**

# **Gertrude P. Brown**

## **Working Woman's Scholarship**

### ***Funded by the Zonta Club of Beaufort***

#### **General Information**

Founded in 1919, Zonta International is a global organization of executives and professionals working together to advance the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy. The Zonta Club of Beaufort was established on May 13, 1987. Club members volunteer their time, talents and money to local and international service projects, as well as scholarship and award programs aimed at furthering women's education, leadership and youth development.

#### **The Scholarship**

The Gertrude P. Brown scholarship is awarded to working women studying at the graduate, undergraduate, certificate, or technical level. The Zonta Club of Beaufort offers scholarships in the amount of **\$1,000.00** each. The scholarship may be used at any university, college or institute offering accredited courses and/or degrees.

#### **Who is Eligible?**

Women of any nationality pursuing a graduate, undergraduate, certificate, or technical level who demonstrate outstanding potential in the field are eligible.

Members and employees of the Zonta Club of Beaufort, Zonta International or the Zonta International Foundation are not eligible to apply for the Scholarship. Applicants who have previously been awarded a scholarship from Zonta Club of Beaufort in the past five years are not eligible to apply.

#### **What are the Requirements?**

- Provide verification of acceptance or enrollment in a graduate, undergraduate, certificate or technical level program at an accredited university, college or institute at the time the funds are received.
- Must be employed.
- Must be a resident of **Northern Beaufort County (North of the Broad River.**
- Complete official application. Application must be received by the deadline indicated in this application. **Only completed applications will be considered.**
- Provide two signed letters of reference from individuals with the completed application. Relatives of the applicant are not eligible to write recommendations.

## Instructions for Completing Application

1. Read the instructions carefully and complete all elements.
2. Submit one recommendation from a faculty member in the major field of study.
3. Submit one recommendation from an employer, volunteer supervisor, or academic advisor. (Members and/or employees of Zonta International, or the Zonta International Foundation are not eligible to write recommendation letters for the applicants.)
4. Submit an essay in 500 words or less that clearly describes your academic and professional goals, as well as the financial needs. Please include the relevance of your program to your career and how the Gertrude P. Brown Working Woman's Scholarship will assist you in reaching your goals.
5. Provide verification of enrollment and/or acceptance from the university, college or institute registrar. This requirement may be deferred if the application deadline precedes the university, college or institute's enrollment period. *The applicant must provide written confirmation of the enrollment period with the application. Scholarship recipients must provide verification of enrollment before scholarship funds will be released.*
6. Any documents not in English must be translated to English.
7. The Zonta Club of Beaufort must be in possession of all elements of the application by the deadline indicated.

## What is the Application Process?

Applications received by the Zonta Club of Beaufort are reviewed by the Advocacy (Scholarship) Committee. The committee will select one applicant per scholarship.

## What can the Scholarship Funds be Used For?

- The funds may be used for **any** expenses that support the awardee in their graduate, undergraduate, certificate or technical program.
- Recipients are not permitted to defer the Scholarship. The Zonta Club of Beaufort will consider a new application the following year, but no preferential consideration will be given to the second application.
- Recipients may accept additional grants and scholarships from other sources.

## Timetable

Completed applications delivered to Zonta Club of Beaufort  
Scholarships awarded

April 2, 2026  
May 26, 2026



## Scholarships, Fellowships, and Honors Received During Studies

(Attach additional sheet if necessary)

	Date

## Volunteer, Memberships, Non-Scholastic and Cultural Activities

(Attach additional sheet if necessary)

Date From Month/Year	Date To Month/Year	Organization Name	Position Held

## Employment

(Attach additional sheet if necessary)

Date From Month/Year	Date To Month/Year	Employer Name and Address	Position Held

## Recommendations

Please provide two (2) letters of recommendation. One from a teacher and the other from an employer, volunteer supervisor, or academic advisor. **These references are to be confidential and enclosed in a seal envelope signed by the reference.**

Name	Title	Contact Information



## Declaration by Applicant

I will take responsibility for school expenses (such as living, traveling, clothing) which are in excess of the \$1,000.00 grant.

I grant permission to the Zonta Club of Beaufort to use my name and photograph in the literature designed to promote the Club's Scholarships. I waive any right to review the letters of recommendation and attest these letters have been written in confidence.

I certify that all the information contained in my application form is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you learn of the Zonta Club of Beaufort Working Women's Scholarship?

Please check the appropriate items:

- Newspaper
- Department Teacher
- Directory of Grants at University of Financial Aid Office
- Directory of Grants not at University (e.g. public libraries)
- Web Site (name) \_\_\_\_\_
- Zonta Club Member \_\_\_\_\_
- Zonta Club of \_\_\_\_\_
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Applicant Checklist

Please check all items included with the application:

- (2) Recommendations
- Acceptance or Letter of Good Standing
- Signature
- Explanation of any missing items:

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