



Fredrick Watson Foundation

Fredrick Watson-Diversify Ice Collegiate Scholarship

Scholarship Overview:

The Fredrick Watson-Diversify Ice Collegiate Scholarship, in collaboration with the [Diversify Ice Foundation](#) and the Fredrick Watson Foundation, aims to support minority college students who are underrepresented figure skaters. This scholarship honors the belief that with perseverance and a strong support system, any challenge can be overcome. It is the first scholarship of its kind to provide support to competitive minority skating athletes while attending college. The scholarship offers financial assistance to students attending a two or four-year college/university, with a special emphasis on those who aspire to inspire others through their journey.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be at least 17 years old.
- Must be enrolled as a full-time minority college student during the 2023-2024 academic year.
- Must be pursuing competitive skating and provide proof of registration for a USFS (United States Figure Skating) competition at the juvenile level or above in solo or pairs/dance disciplines only.
- Must provide a letter of acceptance into an accredited two or four-year college or university.
- Current cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher.

Submission Details:

- Essay (minimum 500 words):
- Why did you choose to go to college?
- After college, how do you plan to motivate, encourage, and advocate for others?
- How do you hope to impact the skating world as a minority skater?
- Two (2) letters of recommendation from either a teacher, mentor/advisor, community leader, or someone who has motivated you.
- Most recent academic transcript.
- Submission of a letter of acceptance to an accredited 2- or 4-year college or university.

Application Process:

- Application dates: March 1, 2024, to May 15, 2024.
- Send all required documents via email to both: Frederick.Watson@gmail.com and info@diversifyice.org.
- Title the email “Aspire to Inspire Scholarship submission” along with your name. Example: Motivation Scholarship Submission from John Doe.

Scholarship Amount:

- The scholarship amount is \$2000.
- Up to 30% or \$600 may be used to help defray costs associated with figure skating.

Important Notes:

- Two scholars will be awarded the scholarship in the amount of up to \$2,000 each for the 2024-2025 academic year.
- The scholarship will be awarded in one lump sum and given to the recipients one month after the application window closes.



Through the Fredrick Watson-Diversify Ice Collegiate Scholarship, we aspire to inspire and empower the next generation of minority figure skaters to pursue their academic and athletic dreams.