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## 2025 Dr. Mary Feeney Bonawitz Accounting PhD Scholarship

### AFWA Members Only

**Submit to the Foundation by  
April 1, 2025, 5:00 pm Eastern Time**

**PLEASE READ AND COMPLETE THIS APPLICATION CAREFULLY!  
ONLY COMPLETED CANDIDATE SUBMISSIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED.**

### Accounting PhD Scholarships

Purpose: To cover the cost of research for a student seeking a PhD degree in Accounting.

Criteria: Scholarship awards are presented to AFWA members who are currently enrolled in a PhD degree program by the time of the application deadline and are majoring in accounting. Candidates must be attending an AACSB accredited institution. Scholarship funds will be awarded for research costs. This covers measurement instruments and analysis (such as DIT, Myers-Briggs and similar instruments), use of financial databases, copying and telecommunication expenses. Scholarship candidates will be reviewed on leadership, character, communication skills, scholastic average and financial need.

Award: \$1,000

*Please Note: PhD scholarships are awarded in May of 2025 for the upcoming 2025-2026 academic school year.*

**RETURN APPLICATION AND ALL ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS TO: [foundation@afwa.org](mailto:foundation@afwa.org)**

#### 1. APPLICATION INFORMATION

Sponsoring Chapter
Date of Application
Name of Applicant

University or College Name
Student ID Number
Financial Aid Department Phone Number

#### 2. PERSONAL DATA (Address and telephone number where applicant may be reached between 4/1/2025 & 06/30/2025)

Address
City/State/Zip
Telephone

#### 3. ACADEMIC BACKGROUND (Post-Secondary Schools Attended)

College/University	
1.	
From - To	Expected Graduation Date
Major	Grade Point Average – Overall
Hours Completed	Grade Point Average – Accounting

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2.	
From - To	
Major	Grade Point Average – Overall
Hours Completed	Grade Point Average – Accounting

College/University	
3.	
From - To	
Major	Grade Point Average - Overall
Hours Completed	Grade Point Average – Accounting

\*\*\*Attach one [1] official transcript.\*\*\*

**4. WORK EXPERIENCE, EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND HONORS**

Work Experience (A resume can be attached in lieu of completing this section)
Extracurricular Activities, Offices Held, Honors and Awards Received (include academic, professional, etc.)

**5. FINANCIAL BACKGROUND**

Are you self-supporting (yes/no)?
If yes, number of dependents including you:
If no, are you supported totally or in part and by whom?
And, if supported by another, the total number of dependents that person supports: (Include the applicant as a dependent)
Total prior year gross income of self-supporting applicant OR person supporting applicant:
Current year expected gross income of self-supporting applicant OR of person supporting applicant:

**6. SHORT ANSWER**

**Briefly describe a time you have demonstrated good leadership**


**Please explain in more detail your current financial situation.**  
(Optional: send FAFSA EFC letter with application for additional consideration)


**How did you hear about AFWA? What do you know about AFWA?**


**Describe your community involvement and engagement within your community**



**Why should we select you to receive this scholarship?**


7. **TRANSCRIPT** - Official copy of university or college grade transcript(s) for all work leading to exam eligibility. Official hard copies can be sent to: 2365 Harrodsburg Road, A325, Lexington, KY 40504. Electronic copies can be sent to: [foundation@afwa.org](mailto:foundation@afwa.org)
8. **ENDORSEMENT FORM** – An endorsement form to accompany applications endorsed by a chapter or AFWA Member can be attached and are optional. Please see your chapter representative or AFWA member to sign this endorsement. The form can be found online at [afwa.org](http://afwa.org) and submitted with the online application or sent to: [foundation@afwa.org](mailto:foundation@afwa.org)
9. **ESSAY** – Attach an essay from 150 to 250 words on your reasons for pursuing a PhD in accounting and how you would advocate for women in the accounting profession should they be chosen as the scholarship recipient.
10. **Research** – Attach an abstract of your dissertation or your research proposal. In addition, attach a detailed explanation of the project and the expected length of time to complete. Do you need instruments for behavioral research projects or data base access for capital market study? Be specific as to what your research needs will
11. **The candidate understands that if selected he or she will be asked to provide a digital picture and sign a release so that The Foundation can publish the picture and brief biography of candidate. If required, a candidate may need to supply his or her Social Security Number for reporting purposes. Please do not call or email requesting the status of your application. Application submission does not guarantee a scholarship.**