

**DR. CARMEN NICHOLAS SCHOLARSHIP IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION , EARLY CHILDHOOD
DEVELOPMENT & FAMILY, OR PSYCHOLOGY
THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION (UWIAAA) FLORIDA CHAPTER**

“If we expect our children to thrive at our colleges and universities and succeed in our economy once they graduate- first we must make quality affordable early childhood education accessible to all”.

Kirsten Gillibrand

Objectives:

This scholarship was created to:

- Provide tuition assistance to a full-time student who is pursuing an undergraduate degree (B.ED) in Early Childhood Education, Early Childhood Development and Family, or (BSc.) Psychology or other like areas of study at any campus at The University of the West Indies.
- Enhance the educational and daily experiences that promote the social and cognitive development of children, birth to five.
- Ensure that more children develop the educational, social and emotional skills needed for life and this leads to college, career and life success.

Application Deadline: August 15

Number of Awards: One (1)

Value of the Award: US\$1,000

Tenure:

- One (1) year with renewal for up to 2 years.
- Renewal is not automatic, and the scholarship holder is expected to reapply.

Eligibility:

This scholarship is “needs-based” with specific academic and other requirements as outlined below.

- Full time matriculated student at the University of the West Indies (UWI)
- Citizen and resident of a Caribbean Island served by The University of the West Indies.
- Pursuing an undergraduate degree (B.ED) in Early Childhood Education; Early Childhood Development and Family or (BSc.) Psychology or other like areas of study at any campus at The University of the West Indies.
- Rank: 2nd year or higher
- GPA Criteria (≥ 3.0)
- Record of community service related to education.

Application Process:

- Application opens June 1 and closes August 15
- Application Form is available on website: www.uwiaafl.org
- Submission:

By email to uwiaafl@gmail.com

Or

Send by regular mail to

**The Scholarship Committee
The University of the West Indies Alumni Association
P.O. Box 970313
Coconut Creek, Florida 33097.**

Note: Applications received whether by email or via postal service after the August 15 will not be considered.

The application package must include:

- An essay outlining the applicant's educational and professional goals and how this scholarship will help to achieve the applicant's career and professional goals.
- Two (2) current letters of recommendation (one character and the other, academic).
- A certified UWI transcript that indicates the student is in good standing.
- Certified copy of birth certificate.
- Picture (Head shot) of applicant.

Method of Selection:

- Committee of UWIAA Florida Chapter members

Payment to awardee:

- Funds will be disbursed to the successful applicant through the university controller/financial aid office.
- After notification of scholarship, the successful applicant will submit their school identification number to the Florida Chapter of the University of the West Indies Alumni Association.

NOTE

- ***The award may not be held jointly with any other UWI Florida Alumni Scholarship.***
- ***The award may not be held jointly with any other scholarship or bursary where together the value exceeds the cost of tuition.***