How Do I Apply?
Download an application at www.njgrants.org or call HESAA Customer Care Center at 609-584-4480 or e-mail clientservices@hesaa.org

New Jersey Application Deadlines
Fall and spring terms – October 1 of the academic year for which aid is requested

Spring term only – March 1 of the academic year for which aid is requested
World Trade Center (WTC)
The WTC scholarship benefits dependent children and surviving spouses of New Jersey residents who were killed or died as a result of injuries sustained by the terrorist attacks against the U.S. on September 11, 2001. The award also benefits the dependents of those who died as a result of illness caused by exposure to the attack sites.

Those incurring the full-time cost of attendance at an eligible institution, having lost the financial resources of a parent or spouse, are deemed to have financial need. The WTC Board sets the amount of the scholarship each summer for the next academic year. The scholarship amount cannot exceed the actual tuition, fees, room and board charged. Scholarship amounts may change as a result of changes in program funding and students’ other available financial assistance.

Eligibility
Students must:
• Be a child or spouse of an individual who was a NJ resident on September 11, 2001 who was:
  • killed in the terrorist attacks against the United States on September 11, 2001
  • died as a result of injuries received in the attacks
  • died as a result of illness caused by exposure to the attack sites
  • declared missing and officially presumed dead as a result of the attacks
• Students must be citizens, eligible non-citizens or eligible to file the NJ Alternative Financial Aid Application.
• Be a full-time undergraduate student
• Eligibility to apply is limited to eight years from the date of the child’s high school graduation and eight years from the date of death for the spouse.
• Maintain satisfactory academic progress
• Not have received the maximum allowable number of payments. For example: eight semesters of payment for a regular four-year degree program; five semesters of payment for a regular two-year degree program.

Benefits
Recipients may attend any Title IV - eligible college or university in New Jersey or out-of-state.

Before You Apply
To receive the scholarship, applicants must provide the following documents to verify their eligibility:
• Proof that the deceased was a New Jersey resident on September 11, 2001
• An original or certified copy of the death certificate, or an accurate and complete photocopy of the original or certified copy of the death certificate
• A letter from the deceased’s physician stating the cause of death
• Proof that the deceased was registered with an appropriate state or federal registry, including, but not limited to:
  • The Victim’s Compensation Fund
  • The World Trade Center Medical Monitoring & Treatment Program
  • The World Trade Center Health Effects Treatment