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History of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority was founded at Howard University on January 16, 1920 by five dynamic women: *Arizona Cleaver, Fannie Pettie, Pearl Neal, Myrtle Tyler, and Viola Tyler.* The women sought to form a sisterhood that would answer the call and work to meet the needs of an ever-changing society. The women, our Five Pearls, founded the organization based upon the precepts of *Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood,* and *Finer Womanhood,* and the notion that collegiate life, sorority socializing, and popularity should not outweigh the true purpose of these organizations: to strive to increase the standard and quality of life for those in her community.

The founders saw the need for a more inclusive sisterhood, one who welcomed all types of women irrespective of color or creed. As long as a woman maintained high academic and moral standards, she would be considered worthy to join the organization.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated has grown into an international organization, comprised of women in all fields of study. With over 125,000 members worldwide, Zetas are doctors, lawyers, social workers, teachers, and scientists.

The Inglewood Graduate Chapter of Omicron Rho Zeta was chartered in 1993 for the purpose of promoting high ideals and scholastic achievement, encouraging literary, scientific and social advancement, cultural enrichment, and civic responsibility. It is in the spirit of our founders that we offer this scholarship, and with great happiness that we continue the work of our beloved organization by supporting our future leaders on their quest for education.

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Scholarship Eligibility and Requirements

<u>Overview</u>

Omicron Rho Zeta will award the recipient either a merit-based scholarship in the amount of \$1000.00 or a book scholarship in the amount of \$500.00. The scholarships are designed to financially assist young African American women in the pursuit of their academic goals. The first scholarship disbursement will be awarded in **Fall 2016**. The second disbursement will be awarded in **Spring 2017**. Scholarship recipients must provide proof of enrollment and official transcripts verifying a cumulative GPA of 2.8 or higher in order to receive each disbursement. A continuing education scholarship may be available upon verification of GPA and review by scholarship committee.

Requirements

- Applicant must be an African-American female.
- Applicant must reside in Los Angeles County.
- Applicant must be a graduating high school senior.
- Applicant must show personal involvement in community service and/or volunteer work.
- Applicant should provide employment history (if applicable).
- Applicant must submit a typewritten (double-spaced) personal statement:
 - a. Describe your community service and/or volunteer experience.
 - b. Discuss any clubs or organizational affiliations, your involvement and leadership positions held (if any).
 - c. Discuss your future academic goals, career goals and how you envision yourself in the community in five years.

•	Applicant must submit the following by March 25, 2016:
	☐ Completed scholarship application
	□Official sealed transcripts with proof of a cumulative GPA of 2.8 or higher.
	$\hfill\square$ Two (2) current letters of recommendation, written within the last 12 months.
	☐ An acceptance letter from an accredited four-year college or university.

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Additional Information and Requirements

The attached 2-page scholarship application and required supporting documentation must be postmarked by **Friday**, **March 25**, **2016**. The selected applicants will be notified to participate in an interview on **Sunday**, **April 10**, **2016**. Those selected will be informed of the interview location and time.

Should you be awarded the scholarship, your attendance will be required at the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Omicron Rho Zeta Chapter's 10th Annual Scholarship event on Sunday, June 5, 2016, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The recipient will be notified with the location of the event.

For more information contact: Tina Choyce Scholarship Committee Chair tchoyce3333@aol.com Mail application to:
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
Omicron Rho Zeta Chapter
P.O. Box 1011
Inglewood, CA 90308

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