

APPLICATION FOR THE PASCHAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

at Meredith College

The Paschal Scholarship Program provides a unique opportunity for talented women to pursue careers in mathematics, computer science, computer information systems, science and engineering. Supported by a grant from the National Science Foundation to support underrepresented populations in these fields, Paschal scholars will not only receive a scholarship, but they will also participate in a learning community. A mentoring program will help to prepare students for careers in industry, government and education, as well as assist students in exploring options for graduate studies. For freshmen and sophomores, the emphasis of the mentoring program will be on academic success and achievement. In addition to mentoring, Paschal scholars will have the opportunity to attend a speakers program, in which outside speakers address topics of interest for women in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. The Paschal Scholarship Program is named for Rosa Catherine Paschal, the first person to earn a mathematics degree from Meredith College.

Paschal Scholars will receive a need-based scholarship ranging from \$2,000-\$5,000 per year, with the option of yearly renewal for up to four years or as appropriate. To become a Paschal Scholar, students must meet the following criteria:

1. Be a United States citizen, refugee, alien, or a permanent resident alien at the time of application.
2. Be enrolled full-time at Meredith College. Students must also be declared majors in Computer Science, Computer Information Systems, Mathematics, Chemistry, Biology or Engineering, or have signed a letter of intent to major in one of these disciplines.
3. Demonstrate academic potential and ability. Entering freshmen scholars must have a combined SAT score (critical reading and math) of at least 1050, a score of at least 550 on the quantitative portion of the SAT, or equivalent ACT scores. An unweighted academic high school GPA of at least 3.0 (as determined by the admissions office) is required of entering freshmen scholars, while transfer and current Meredith students will need to have at least a 3.0 GPA in their college work.
4. All Paschal Scholar applicants must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and demonstrate financial need as determined by the Office of Financial Assistance. The FAFSA can be filed electronically at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Meredith's code is 002945.

In order to continue eligibility in the Paschal Scholarship Program:

1. Students will maintain a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA at Meredith College. Additionally, students should show progress towards degree completion by taking at least one course per semester in the major.
2. Students receiving the scholarship may not be employed more than 20 hours per week while school is in session.
3. Students will participate in the Paschal Scholarship Program Learning Community by attending the Paschal Scholarship Speakers Series, and through involvement in mentoring activities. Additionally, Paschal Scholars are encouraged to participate in undergraduate research, internships and study abroad.

I Believe...
in smart choices, hard work and serious fun...that sometimes the best answer is a good question...I've got a lot of good questions...that a good life starts here. At Meredith.

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Deadline: January 15
For New Students

● Section One

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail address: _____

High School, Currently Attending: _____

Intended Major (check all that apply):

- Biology Chemistry Computer Information Systems
 Computer Science Engineering Dual Degree Mathematics

Intended Career Path (check all that apply):

- Industry
 Teaching: Elementary School Middle School High School College
 Graduate Program (name the curriculum) _____
Example: graduate school in mathematics, medical school, Master of Education, etc.

● Section Two

Please submit a resume including co-curricular, extra-curricular and community activities.

● Section Three

Please write a paragraph addressing **each** of the following questions:

1. What experience(s) caused you to choose this program of study? Discuss your experiences and your motivation to complete your chosen major.
2. How will participating in this scholarship benefit you? Please be specific.
3. Discuss your anticipated career path.

Application deadline is January 15 for first-time students and transfer students, and review of applications will begin immediately. Invitations to the Paschal Scholarship Program will be issued in March. Applications should be sent to The Paschal Scholarship Program, Office of Admissions, Meredith College, 3800 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh, North Carolina, 27607. In order to be considered for participation in the Paschal Scholarship Program, applicants must also complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and indicate Meredith College to receive your information.

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