Institute for Women GRADUATE GRANT

The Institute for Women at West Chester University of Pennsylvania offers an annual grant of $750 to a woman graduate student who is accepted into a master’s degree program at West Chester University. The award is based on high academic achievement, evidence of potential for contribution to the applicant’s field of study, a record of leadership in school, community, church, or other setting, and evidence of involvement in giving service to others.

Applicants must submit their application no later than May 1 to be considered for the proceeding academic year’s grant. To be eligible for the award, the recipient must register for a minimum of six graduate credits during the Fall and Spring semester of the proceeding academic year. The grant will be disbursed as a check payable to the graduate student once the fall semester has begun.

The following items are required to complete your application:

1. The Institute for Women Graduate Grant online application which includes a brief statement of past activities and intended goals as they relate to:
   1. high academic achievement
   2. potential for contribution to their field of study
   3. leadership in school, church, community, and or other activities
   4. commitment to give service to others

2. Two recommendations from persons most qualified to judge your academic potential (instructions on how to provide this information is included as part of the online application and all recommendations will be sent electronically). Recent college graduates must include one reference from a professor who is familiar with their academic work. Applicants who completed their undergraduate work more than five years ago may substitute a second community reference as evidence of their academic and leadership potential.

3. Any additional material you feel will substantiate your achievements and commitment to a specific program of study.

Apply Here: Institute for Women Graduate Grant **Log-in required to apply**

No application can be considered until the candidate has submitted all admission credentials to the Office of Graduate Studies, West Chester University. Only applicants who qualify for and accept admission to a graduate program at West Chester University are eligible for this award. An award decision will be made by July 1. The recipient will be asked to provide a black and white photo for public relations purposes.

Questions about the scholarship can be sent to Alicia Hahn-Murphy, Director, Center for Women and Gender Equity at womenscenter@wcupa.edu