



## GIA SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

The Gemological Institute of America (GIA) is pleased to offer scholarships for its School of Business, School of Gemology, and School of Jewelry Manufacturing Arts. The following information and instructions will guide you through the process and help you accurately complete your application. Please read this thoroughly before filling out the application.

- Applications can only be submitted between June 15 and October 15. Applications and supporting materials submitted before or after these dates **will not** be considered for a GIA scholarship.
- All GIA Scholarship awards are applied directly to the recipient's GIA tuition account **only**. Cash funds are not released directly to the student. Scholarship recipients are responsible for any tax liabilities that may apply.
- Scholarship awards must be used during the upcoming calendar year and are for new GIA enrollments only.
- Applications must be typed or legibly handwritten. Applications with incomplete or missing information, such as Income and Asset information, Essay, or Letters of Recommendation, will be disqualified.
- In addition to answering the questions on the application, applicants must submit at least one letter of recommendation from an employer who is a current or past member of the jewelry industry. The letter must be on business letterhead, identifying the company or professional organization to which he/she belongs, and should explain why the applicant is being recommended as a scholarship recipient and why he/she will be successful in GIA's educational programs. A former employer or college professor may write the letter of recommendation if there is no history of employment in the jewelry industry. GIA policy does not allow faculty and staff to write letters of recommendation. Applicants should refrain from submitting letters of recommendation from parent(s) or relatives.
- GIA staff and their immediate family members are not eligible to apply.
- All applicants must fully disclose any business relationship they have with GIA, including Lab client relationships.
- **U.S. Citizen or U.S. Permanent Resident applicants please note:** Submit the application and all supporting materials to GIA Carlsbad.
- **International student applicants please note:** The international On Campus student scholarships are for attendance at the GIA India or GIA London campuses only. **Scholarships are not available for international students to attend any other campus, including U.S. campuses.** Scholarships for Distance Education courses are available to international students living in a country where GIA does not have a campus. Applications and supporting material for a scholarship to attend GIA India or GIA London should be submitted directly to that campus. Applications and supporting material for the Distance Education scholarships should be submitted to GIA Carlsbad.

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THE ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PERIOD IS JUNE 15 – OCTOBER 15 (Applications submitted before June 15th or after October 15th will not be considered for a GIA Scholarship.)

I. PERSONAL DATA (PLEASE PRINT)

Student Name

Last/Surname First Middle Initial Suffix

U.S. Social Security Number

GIA Student Number (If known)

U.S. Social Security Number and GIA Student Number fields

Permanent Address

Permanent Address line

City State/Prov. Zip/Postal Code Country

City, State/Prov., Zip/Postal Code, Country fields

U.S. State of legal residence

Country of Citizenship (International Students)

Current Mailing Address

Current Mailing Address line

City State/Prov. Zip/Postal Code Country

City, State/Prov., Zip/Postal Code, Country fields

Home Phone

Business Phone

Home Phone and Business Phone fields

E-mail Address (Enter only one)

E-mail Address field

Gender

Male Female checkboxes

Date of Birth MM/DD/YYYY

Date of Birth field

Are you a U.S. citizen or a U.S. Permanent Resident?

Yes No checkboxes

II. WHICH PROGRAM DO YOU INTEND TO ENROLL IN DURING THE NEXT CALENDAR YEAR?

Method of Study

On Campus (Full-time) Distance Education (Home Study) Lab checkboxes

Anticipated Enrollment Date:

Are you entering the School of Business as a San Diego Community College transfer? Yes No

Program/Course Name:

If yes, what is the name of the Community College you are transferring from?

Campus

III. JEWELRY INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT HISTORY (PLEASE PRINT)

Employer's Company Name:

Dates of Employment (From MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY)

Dates of Employment field

Employer's Address

Employer's Address line

City State/Prov. Zip/Postal Code Country

City, State/Prov., Zip/Postal Code, Country fields

Do you or family members have a business relationship with GIA? Yes No

If yes, explain.

Are you, or is your employer, a member of the Independent Jewelers Organization? Yes No

If yes, what is the name of the IJO member?

Do you or a family member belong to the California Jewelers Association? Yes No

If yes, what is the name of the CJA member?

Do you or any immediate family members own a jewelry business or are employed in the jewelry industry? Yes No

Do you work for a jewelry store that utilizes Colormaster products? Yes No

Are you a member of the Lone Star GIA Associates & Alumni? Yes No



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**IV. APPLICANT STATUS**

- Are you 24 years of age or older, as of today?  Yes  No  
 Are you married as of today?  Yes  No  
 Do you have any dependents other than a spouse?  Yes  No  
 Are you a veteran of the U.S. Armed Services?  Yes  No

If you checked yes to any of the above questions, skip the Parents Information and complete ONLY the Student and Spouse Information below.  
 If you checked no to all four questions above, you and your parents must complete the information below.

**V. HOUSEHOLD AND INCOME INFORMATION** Complete the income and asset information in the currency of your country of residence.

**PARENTS INFORMATION** Type of currency: \_\_\_\_\_

- Total number of people in parents' household: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number in above household who will attend post-secondary education: \_\_\_\_\_
- Parents' gross income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Income reported above is for:  Two parent household  One parent household
- Parents' total assets (savings, stocks, bonds, investments, etc.): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT AND SPOUSE INFORMATION**

- Total number of people in students' household: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number in above household who will attend post-secondary education: \_\_\_\_\_
- Students' (and spouse's) gross income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Income reported above is for:  Two parent household  One parent household
- Students' total assets (savings, stocks, bonds, investments, etc.): \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Do you (the student) have any other financial resources available, such as Veterans Benefits, vocational rehabilitation, scholarships, etc.?  
 If yes, list below.

TYPE	AMOUNT
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

**VI. STUDENT AND/OR PARENT CERTIFICATION**

I/WE CERTIFY THAT ALL THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT.  
 I/WE AGREE TO SUBMIT PROOF OF INCOME OR ASSET INFORMATION IF REQUESTED.  
 I/WE CERTIFY WE ARE NOT GIA EMPLOYEES NOR A MEMBER OF A GIA EMPLOYEE'S HOUSEHOLD.

By signing this document you are agreeing to release contact information to those sponsors of any scholarship you may be awarded, as well as any material from your essay to be printed in jewelry industry periodicals and magazines.

STUDENT SIGNATURE	STUDENT PRINTED NAME	DATE
_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____
SPOUSE SIGNATURE	SPOUSE PRINTED NAME	DATE
_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____
PARENT SIGNATURE	PARENT PRINTED NAME	DATE
_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____





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**If you need additional space to respond to the following essay prompt, use a separate piece of paper.  
However, limit your response to NO MORE THAN TWO PAGES.**

**Describe yourself, your prior work experience, your career aspirations, and what in particular makes you an exceptional candidate to receive a GIA scholarship.**



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