



2016-2017 Proteus, Inc. Standard Scholarship Criteria & Requirements

Applicant Criteria:

- Applicant family must be low income: Please refer to attached California Alternative Rates for Energy Assistance Program Guidelines (attached)
- Must have received a service from Proteus within the last 2 years. (if over 18 years of age)
- Parents must have received a service from Proteus within the last 2 years.
- Must live in either: Kern, Kings, Fresno, or Tulare Counties
- Your enrollment status must be full time for 2016-2017 school year.
- Plan to attend a two or four-year College, or an accredited Post -secondary institute.
- Student not eligible to apply for scholarship are: Proteus employees, their immediate relatives.
 - Immediate relatives are wife, husband, son, daughter, mother, father, sister, step-parents, and stepchild.

Requirements:

- Scholarship Application Form must be signed by applicant/ parent or legal guardian if under the age of 18.
- Typed personal Statement
- Two letters of recommendation
- Completed application and attachments must be postmarked by April 1, 2016.
- If awarded and prior to scholarship disbursement an enrollment and payment verification will be requested to demonstrate full-time college enrollment.

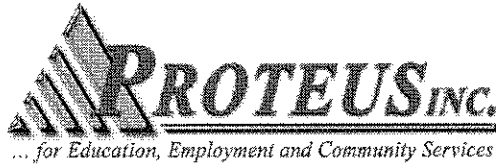
Submit application by mail or in person to the following address on or before **April 1, 2016**. If all requirements are not met applications will not be considered. Please submit applications to:

Attn: Scholarship Committee
Proteus, Inc.
1830 N. Dinuba Blvd.
Visalia, CA 93291

The Proteus Standard Scholarship Application can be obtained at any Proteus, Inc. office or can be downloaded from the Proteus, Inc. website at: www.proteusinc.org

For more information please contact:

Margie Perez
Scholarship Committee Chair
(559) 733-5423 ext. 9100-28



**SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM STANDARD APPLICATION
2016-2017 ACADEMIC YEAR**

Carefully complete the Proteus, Inc. scholarship application packet (typed or hand-written in blue ink). The deadline to submit the application packet is April 1, 2016 and must include this cover page, a personal statement and two letters of recommendation. Applications must be received at the Proteus Administration Office, 1830 N. Dinuba Blvd., Visalia, CA 93291 by the deadline. However, if you choose to mail your application, the envelope must be postmarked no later than April 1, 2016. All late, incomplete and/or modified applications will be rejected.

Name of Applicant: _____			
Mailing Address: _____	City: _____	State: _____	Zip Code: _____
Email: _____			
Note: You must provide at least two phone numbers where you can be reached.			
Home Telephone: () _____		Message Telephone: () _____	
Cellular Phone: () _____			
Are you currently a high school student? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
If yes, what high school do you attend? _____			GPA: _____
If no, list the last school you attended: _____			
Are you currently a college student? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
If yes, what college do you attend? _____			
Cumulative college GPA: _____		If no, list the last college you attended: _____	
What college or university will you attend during the 2016-2017 academic year? _____			
Will you enroll full time? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No What is (or will be) your college major? _____			
What was the total family income for your household from all sources last year? _____			
Number in Family: _____			

Will you receive financial assistance from your family while enrolled in college? Yes No

Do you consider yourself a member of a low-income family? Yes No

In the past two years have you or any member of your family worked in farm work? Yes No

In the past two years have you or any member of your family been enrolled or received services from a Proteus Program? Yes No

Is an immediate relative either a member of Proteus staff or Board of Directors? (Immediate relatives include wife, husband, son, daughter, mother, father, brother, sister, stepparent and stepchild). Yes No

If yes, name of staff member: _____

Have you been employed by Proteus Inc. during the past two years? Yes No

I certify that the information contained in this application is true, and if selected as a Proteus Scholarship Program recipient, I agree to submit an approved schedule of classes. I also understand that final selection of scholarship recipients will be the responsibility of the Proteus Scholarship Committee. Proteus, Inc. has my permission to notify the college/university financial aid office of my scholarship award. I also authorize the financial aid office to discuss my financial aid award with Proteus representatives in order to determine financial need. Proteus, Inc. also has my permission to publish my name, a photo, scholarship amount and a brief biographical sketch.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

If Under 18,

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED*

***Personal Statement:**

Provide a Personal Statement in 750 words or less that addresses each topic listed below.

What are your career and personal goals?

List any challenges that may affect your goals.

List your community activities, extra-curricular activities, and hobbies.

Why should Proteus select you to receive this scholarship?

***Letters of Recommendation:**

Instructions to the applicant: Please contact someone you know well who is willing to complete this letter. Select someone who has had a professional relationship with you such as a current or former teacher, employer, counselor or others who can address your accomplishments and strengths. Do not select close friends or relatives to complete the form.

Proteus Scholarship Guidelines

Qualifying Income: effective June 2015-May 2016

The Maximum qualifying incomes limits are set by California Alternative Rates for Energy Assistance Program. The current limits based on family size were effective on the date listed above.

<u># OF PERSONS</u>	<u>Income Cap</u>
1	\$31,460
2	\$31,460
3	\$39,580
4	\$47,700
5	\$55,820
6	\$63,940

Each additional person add 8,120