



Visions Federal Credit Union Frank E. Berrish Scholarship

APPLICATION & INSTRUCTIONS

Scholarship Criteria:

- Must be a full-time student continuing at BCC in Fall of 2013;
- Must have a cum GPA of at least 2.5 enrolled in at least 12 credits in the current semester;
- Must be enrolled in Financial Services, AAS program or other program that trains students for careers in the financial service industry. Preference will be given to students interested in a career in credit union management.
- Preference will be given to students who have graduated from a Broome County high school.

Return completed application and materials to:
BCC Foundation Office
Campus address: Wales Building, Room 201

DEADLINE: Friday, February 15, 2013, 4:30pm

(607) 778-5182
email: foundation@sunybroome.edu

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**Visions Federal Credit Union
Frank E. Berrish Scholarship**

This scholarship has been developed to honor the career of Frank E. Berrish, President and CEO of Visions Federal Credit Union, a position he held for 37 years until his retirement in May of 2013. With the leadership of Mr. Berrish, Visions Federal Credit Union grew from a credit union with \$25 million in assets, three branches, and servicing only IBM employees and their families, to one of the largest financial institutions in our community. At the time of his retirement, the credit union had assets of over \$3.2 billion, serving approximately 158,000 members, with 31 branches located throughout Central New York, portions of Rochester and Syracuse, NY Northern Pennsylvania and Northern New Jersey.

Application Requirements:

1. Completion of a short application (attached)
2. Two (2) reference letters: both may be from faculty, or one from faculty and one from a community person. At least one of these letters should comment on the applicant's activities.
3. Personal statement (not to exceed 2 typed-written pages) that includes:
 - 1 - A brief description of your accomplishments as a student and community member.
 - 2 - Describe your educational and career goals: short-term and long-term
 - 3 - Explanation of why you believe credit unions are important to consumers and businesses in the current financial services market.
4. Signed consent to release information form.

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Application Form

Applicant's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ High School _____

Student ID #: _____ Birth Date: ____/____/____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ E-mail _____

BCC Major: _____ Current Credits# _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____

(You may add any personal information that you think will be useful to the screening committee on a separate sheet).

Campus/Community Involvement *(please list activities)*:

Name(s) Reference(s)

Position(s)/Relationship(s)

Phone Number(s)

1) Name: _____ Position: _____ Phone #: _____

Mailing Address : _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

2) Name: _____ Position: _____ Phone #: _____

Mailing Address : _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

***All application materials must be received in W201 by 4:30 PM on
February, 15, 2013***

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Consent to Release Information

I, _____, give Broome Community College, and the Frank E. Berrish Scholarship Screening Committee permission to exchange information connected with my application for the above scholarship.

By signing this consent, I understand that as an applicant for this scholarship award I give Broome Community College permission to verify submitted materials including financial aid information, personal financial information, personal data and personal references. I understand that all information will be kept confidential.

I understand that this consent form will remain in effect as long as my eligibility exists.

***Note - You must sign below in front of a Notary Public OR * a staff member of the BCC Foundation which is located in 201 Wales Bldg. on campus. APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO BRING PHOTO ID when submitting application.**

Student's signature _____ Date _____

*Signature of Foundation staff member _____ Date _____

Certification Form

I believe myself eligible for and hereby make application to receive a Frank E. Berrish Scholarship Award at Broome Community College. I certify that all statements made in this application are complete and accurate.

I understand that:

- Falsification in my application, transcripts or other attachments will disqualify my application;
- A Selection Committee will select scholarship recipients and that the Committee's decision will be final;
- Incomplete applications will not be considered; and
- It is my responsibility to inform the BCC Office of Financial Aid of any change in my eligibility status or of any additional awards received.

Signature _____ Date _____

(Please print your name)