

## Scholarship Abstract

### Title of Scholarship:

"The W. Don and Sherry McDonald UofA Engineering Scholarship"

Contact: Mingus Connection

First Award Year: 2023-24

**Description:** Donor will award and fund one (1) scholarship per year in the amount of \$2500. This scholarship is for a fulltime student at the University of Arizona College of Engineering in Tucson, Arizona (main campus) and is *not* for virtual learning. Full time is defined as a minimum of 15 credits per semester.

### Criteria:

- 1) Student must be admitted to the College of Engineering at the UofA
- 2) Academic Achievement; Minimum 3.0 GPA
- 3) Preference will be given to a Biomedical Engineering student
- 4) Financial need *may* be a consideration, if all other factors are equal

**To Apply:** Visit MUHS Counseling Office/Website:

<https://www.mingusunion.com/Scholarships>, click on Mingus Only

- A. Submit Mingus Connection Scholarship Application;
- B. An essay describing, in your own words, why you chose Engineering as your field of study, and what you aspire to do with your education;
- C. Complete FAFSA & submit results with scholarship application;
- D. Letters of recommendation from:
  - 1) High School counselor/advisor; and
  - 2) High school teacher;
- E. Copy of current high school transcript;
- F. Copy of UofA acceptance letter to the College of Engineering

**Deadline:** Completed application packet due by March 31<sup>st</sup>.

**NOTE:** Donor will attend Spring MUHS Award Ceremony to meet recipient.

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## Mingus Connection Scholarships – Steps to Apply

- 1) Listed below are all of the scholarships available from Mingus Connection. Check the list to see if you meet the Primary Eligibilities for one or more of these scholarships. If so, put a check mark beside it (them).

<u>Check</u> (to apply)	<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>Award</u>	<u>Primary Eligibilities</u>
_____	Bettimarie Lindner Miller	\$1,000	Science or Medical
_____	Eddie Kurtz Memorial	\$500	Trades/technical careers
_____	Joanne Grable Endowment	\$1000	Trade/technical careers
_____	Timmy Valenzuela Memorial	\$500	4-year degree
_____	Randall's at Lady Di's Kitchen	\$500	2.5 GPA
_____	Northern AZ Fund	\$3,000	Financial need/merit
_____	Robert S. Shell Memorial	\$1,000	Social Work or Mental Health
_____	"Faith's Legacy Scholarship"	\$3,000	Personal Character, Need & Merit
_____	The "Espiritu"	\$500	Personal Character, Need & Merit
_____	Joan Evans	\$500	Personal Character, Need & Merit
_____	The W. Don & Sherry McDonald UofA Engineering Scholarship	\$2500	Engineering at UofA (restricted)

- 2) Obtain the abstracts for the scholarships that you checked in Step 1, from either the Guidance Office or the Mingus Union High School website. Make sure that you meet all of the additional requirements for the scholarship(s), if any.

***\*\* Please note that Mingus Connection scholarships must be used starting the Fall semester following your Spring graduation, i.e., graduate Spring 2020, enroll and use funds Fall 2020.***

- 3) Create a folder for each scholarship that you checked off in Step 1. It should contain copies of the following:
- Your completed Application for Mingus Connection Scholarships.
  - Your processed FAFSA ([www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)) that shows your Expected Family Contribution (EFC).
  - A Personal Statement – at least a 350-word statement that may include (but is not limited to) your interests, high school activities/clubs/leadership positions, community activities, educational goals, career goals, financial need, work experience, special considerations.
  - Official transcript.
  - Any additional requirements stated in the scholarship abstract(s).

***It is your responsibility to collect the required materials for each scholarship. Make sure that the Counseling Office has all of these materials no later than the last Friday in March.***

## Application for Mingus Connection Scholarships

**Full Name: First:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Last:** \_\_\_\_\_ **MI:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Permanent Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Mailing Address (if different from Permanent):** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Telephone number(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date and Place of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Country of Citizenship:** \_\_\_\_\_

4) **\*\*College you plan to attend:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Your signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Make a copy of this completed application for every Mingus Connection scholarship for which you are applying. Make sure you check the appropriate scholarship above on each copy and include it in your scholarship folder(s). Return your folder(s) to the Guidance Office no later than the last Friday in March.**

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