



LIFE SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION & AFFIDAVIT

General Eligibility Requirements

- Must be a legal resident of South Carolina
- Must be a United States citizen or a permanent resident
- Must be a graduate from a South Carolina high school, or successfully completed a home school program as prescribed by law, or graduated from a preparatory high school outside South Carolina, while a dependent of a parent or guardian who is a legal resident of South Carolina and has custody of the dependent
- Admitted and classified as a degree-seeking student and enrolled full-time (12 or more eligible credit hours).
- Working toward your first undergraduate degree
- Will use the LIFE Scholarship for tuition and fees and other educational costs at Tri-County Technical College
- Must not have been judged delinquent, nor have been convicted or pled guilty or nolo contendere to any felony in any state.
- Must not have been convicted of any second alcohol or drug related misdemeanor in any state for 12 months prior to the period of the award.
- Have not defaulted and do not owe a refund or repayment on any Federal or State financial aid

Eligibility Requirements for Incoming Freshman

- Must meet all general eligibility requirements
- Must have a 3.0 final high school grade point average based on the Uniform Grading Scale
- Your final high school transcript must be on file in our Admissions Office and a LIFE scholarship affidavit has to be read and signed by the student before LIFE eligibility can be established. Once eligibility has been established, the student must be enrolled in the appropriate courses for the LIFE scholarship to pay. ***Failure to be enrolled in appropriate courses at the time payment is due will result in the LIFE scholarship being removed from the student's account.***

Eligibility Requirements for Continuing Students

- Must meet all general eligibility requirements
- A total of 30 non-remedial credit hours is required for a rising second year student.
- **MID-YEAR START:** For those students who begin using LIFE Scholarship in Spring Semester, a total of 15 non-remedial credit hours is required for renewal the following academic year. See the Financial Aid Office for information on subsequent renewals. *All grades taken prior to this mid-year start will count towards the LIFE GPA.*
- Any credit hours earned before high school graduation, hours exempted by examination and advance placement credit approved by Tri-County Technical College will be used toward the credit hour requirement. Duplicate credit courses do not count in the total.
- Earn a minimum cumulative LIFE GPA of at least a 3.0 on a 4.0 scale by the end of the academic year. The LIFE GPA must include **all grades earned at Tri-County Technical College** plus all grades attempted (excluding remedial courses only) at all other institutions, both in-state and out-of-state. This will include all grades, excluding remedial courses, taken during periods the student may have been ineligible for LIFE Scholarship funding.

Eligibility Requirements for Transfer Students

- Must meet all general eligibility requirements
- Eligibility for the first year at Tri County Technical College is based on your initial college enrollment and the cumulative GPR and hours earned (non-remedial) all your previous institution(s). This will include both in-state and out-of-state institutions.
- A transcript from the previous college and a high school transcript must be on file with Admissions before LIFE scholarship can be determined for eligibility. Also, submit a copy of the award letter/bill **WITH THIS FORM** from the previous college showing receipt of LIFE Scholarship.

Limitations: Students can only receive up to a total of four consecutive semesters of the LIFE Scholarship at a two-year college. Speak to the Financial Aid Office to determine your continued eligibility.



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IMPORTANT NOTE: Any Remedial / Non-degree credit hours **DO NOT** count toward LIFE Scholarship enrollment status. This includes, but is not limited to:

ENG 031	ENG 100	MAT 010	MAT 031	MAT 150	RDG 032
ENG 032	ENG 150	MAT 012	MAT 032	BIO 100	RDG 100

LIFE scholarship pays up to the cost of tuition, plus \$150.00 each in fall and spring semesters or a maximum of \$2500 per semester. LIFE scholarship funds are credited to the eligible student's account and are used for tuition and other charges on the student's account.

LIFE AFFIDAVIT

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING

I certify I have never been an adjudicated delinquent, convicted, or pled guilty or *nolo contendere* to any felonies or any second or subsequent alcohol/drug related offenses under the laws of this or any other state or under the laws of the United States in order to be eligible for a LIFE Scholarship, except that a high school or college student otherwise qualified who has been adjudicated delinquent or has been convicted or pled guilty or *nolo contendere* to a second or subsequent alcohol or drug-related misdemeanor offense nevertheless shall be eligible or continue to be eligible for such scholarships after the expiration of one academic year from the date of the adjudication, conviction, or plea by submitting an affidavit each academic year to the institution. However, a high school or college student who has been adjudicated delinquent, convicted, or pled guilty or *nolo contendere* of a second alcohol/drug related misdemeanor offense is ineligible for the next academic year of enrollment at an eligible institution after the date of the adjudication, conviction or plea. If the adjudication, conviction, or plea occurs during the academic year after the student has already submitted a signed affidavit to the institution, the student will be eligible to receive the Scholarship the remainder of the academic year. However, the student will be ineligible for the Scholarship the following entire academic year of enrollment. If a student completes a pretrial intervention program and has his/her record expunged the conviction will not affect Scholarship eligibility.

I also have read and understand that obtaining funds through means of a willfully false statement or through failure to reveal material fact, condition or circumstances affecting eligibility, will be subject to applicable civil or criminal penalties including loss of LIFE Scholarship funds.

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Printed Name	TCTC Student ID Number (Required)	Date
_____	FOR: _____	
Student Signature	Semester / Year (Required)	

LIFE Affidavit to reflect H.3906 and the LIFE Scholarship Regulations as defined by the Student Services Division of SC Commission on Higher Education for LIFE. Revised 03/2014