## **Breaking through Barriers**

American Association of University Women AAUW La Crosse Branch P.O. Box 2112 La Crosse, WI 54602

This application is also available on the AAUW-La Crosse website at: HYPERLINK "https://lacrosse-wi.aauw.net/scholarships/" www.lacrosse-wi.aauw.net/scholarships

## 2021 AAUW La Crosse Branch Karen Wilson Memorial Scholarship for Non-Traditional Collegiate Students

NOTE: AAUW scholarship funds are managed and distributed by the La Crosse Community Foundation.

**Purpose:** AAUW is a national organization that advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research. This scholarship was first made available by her family in 1981 in memory of Karen Wilson, a former AAUW Branch member. AAUW scholarships are funded in part by profits from the annual La Crosse AAUW Art Fair on the Green.

The AAUW will award at least one \$1000 scholarship and will consider both financial need and special circumstances.

Recipients shall use this scholarship for tuition during the summer session or academic year following its award.

**Eligibility** {NOTE: The review committee will not review an incomplete application or a late arriving application}

An applicant can be an AAUW member or can be nominated by an AAUW - La Crosse Branch member.

An applicant must be female and age 30 or older.

An applicant must apply credits earned with the help of this scholarship toward a specific educational goal. A person taking graduate courses toward an advanced degree can apply. A person taking courses in order to update or change careers can apply. A person taking courses for personal enrichment will not be considered.

An applicant must plan to enroll for the next academic year in an institution of higher education (excluding proprietary schools).

An applicant must submit a typed 300-500 word essay. Include in the essay an explanation of:

educational goals,

why or how receiving this scholarship will support educational opportunity, and financial need or special circumstances effecting educational progress.

An applicant must provide a letter of reference (A) from the AAUW sponsor, if the applicant is a non-member; and (B) from a faculty advisor, teacher, or employer who knows the applicant well enough to address the applicant's potential to succeed in higher education.

An applicant must include on a cover page the following information and signature.

Student Name	
Parent/Guardian Name	
Address	
Phone	
e-mail	
Semesters in College Completed	
Anticipated Graduation Date	
Major/Minor	
Signature of the Applicant:	
Date:	
[With your signature, you attest to the accuracy of all the	information included
in your application.]	

By February 5th: Give your completed application with all required materials to a Scholarship Committee member. If you need to mail the completed application, address the envelope to the AAUW address listed at the top of this application and postmark the application by 02/05/21.