

# CENTRAL ALABAMA CARIBBEAN AMERICAN ORGANIZATION

2017

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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**DEADLINE:** *Must be received or postmarked by November 27, 2017*

The Central Alabama Caribbean American Organization (CACAO) offers at least one (1) \$500.00 scholarship to a deserving student of Caribbean Heritage.

The scholarship will be awarded at the annual Christmas dinner. Payment will be made directly to the awardee.

Applicants must send the following completed documentation (for receipt no later than November 27, 2017) to:

\*CACAO Scholarship Committee  
P.O. Box 94336  
Birmingham, AL 35220  
Or scan and email to: [cacaoonline@gmail.com](mailto:cacaoonline@gmail.com)

- Completed, signed application\*\* (either typed or neatly handwritten; application may be downloaded at [www.cacaoonline.org](http://www.cacaoonline.org))

\*This address should also be used for any questions regarding this application.

\*\*Incomplete applications will not be considered.

### **Applicants must meet the following criteria:**

1. Enrolled as a student (graduate or undergraduate) in Central Alabama.
2. Willingness to serve as CACAO Ambassadors to help the mission of CACAO throughout the year following the event. This includes promoting the mission by sharing the Caribbean culture and promoting diversity and inclusion within the community and its surrounding areas.
3. Willingness to attend various activities sponsored by CACAO. These activities will be communicated to the scholarship recipients in advance. They may include but are not limited to: attending meetings, or volunteer activities.
4. The candidate must be of Caribbean heritage: that is, born in the Caribbean or have a parent who was born in the Caribbean.

### **APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:**

- Application form (provided on the next page).
- A letter of recommendation from a faculty member or mentor.
- Most recent transcript.
- Write an essay about yourself explaining your career goals, what you plan to study and why you want to further your education. The essay should be no longer than 500 words.

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**ACADEMIC & COMMUNITY BACKGROUND**

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Address of School: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

Program: (check one): ( ) 4 Years ( ) 2 Years ( ) Other (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Academic Honors:

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**Caribbean Origin:**

- Were you born in the Caribbean? YES NO. If yes, what island?
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- If no, at least one of your parents must be from the Caribbean. Which island?
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List the **extracurricular activities** in your college, or community which you have participated. Describe offices or positions held and the nature and extent of your participation. BE SPECIFIC: e.g., indicate name of organization, role played in carrying out mission of the organization, number of volunteered hours each semester.

