



**2010**  
**EWGA Foundation *Women On Par*® Scholarship Program**  
**Frequently Asked Questions**

**1. What is the EWGA (Executive Women's Golf Association)?**

The EWGA (Executive Women's Golf Association) is dedicated to enriching the lives of women through the game of golf. The mission of the organization is connecting women to learn, play, and enjoy golf for business and for fun.

Established in 1991, the EWGA is a Florida tax exempt 501(c)(6) corporation serving an international membership. This membership association delivers a wide range of golf, social and networking activities for new and experienced golfers to nearly 20,000 members at over 125 local Chapters throughout the United States and international Chapters in Canada. The organization seeks to promote the growth of women's golf and serves as an advocate for positive change on issues of importance to women golfers. The EWGA is dedicated to inclusiveness and diversity in its membership and seeks to provide timely, valued benefits and services to its members.

EWGA local Chapter activities typically include: an annual "kickoff" event; 2 to 3 major tournaments; weekly 'after work' 9-hole league play; business networking and social functions; weekend golf outings; golf rules and etiquette seminars; education programs; a Chapter Championship (the qualifying event for the EWGA Championship); charity fundraising events; and volunteer installation and recognition events.

For more information about the Executive Women's Golf Association, please visit our website at [www.ewga.com](http://www.ewga.com).

**2. What is the EWGA (Executive Women's Golf Association) Foundation?**

Established in 2003, the EWGA Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable tax exempt organization that, as a separate legal entity, is supported by the EWGA (Executive Women's Golf Association) and funded through member contributions, donors and various fundraising activities. The EWGA Foundation exists to fund and create education and leadership programs for women of all ages, supported by these guiding principles:

The EWGA Foundation was formed to:

- Develop educational programs to improve women's leadership abilities, self-esteem, and business skills through golf;
- Encourage and enable women to serve as mentors to other women and girls;
- Develop scholarship programs to allow girls and women to pursue educational opportunities; and
- Provide financial support and promote activities designed to support other charitable organizations whose mission supports that of the EWGA Foundation



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**3. Why was the “*Women on Par®*” scholarship created?**

The “*Women on Par®*” Scholarship, provided by the EWGA (Executive Women’s Golf Association) Foundation, was established in 2007 to provide financial assistance to “non-traditional” female students. This scholarship is intended for women, age 30 and older, who are attending a college or university for the first time or returning to school after an absence to complete their technical/vocational, Associate or Bachelors degree. The scholarship is designed to help these women get “on par,” or get an equal footing, with their peers, friends and other women who have had a chance to complete their college education.

**4. Who is eligible to apply for the scholarship?**

Applicants and Recipients are not required to be current or former members of the EWGA (Executive Women’s Golf Association); however, they must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Be female.
- Be at least 30 years of age as of January 1, 2010.
- Be a United States or Canadian citizen, or legal resident.
- Pursuing a technical/vocational, Associate or Bachelors degree. Candidates must be first time applicants to school, or must be returning to school after an absence to complete a degree. If you have already obtained a Bachelor’s degree, you are ineligible to apply for this scholarship.
- Currently enrolled, or accepted to an accredited school, college or university.
- Exhibit a need for financial assistance.

Current and former EWGA members and their immediate family members are eligible to apply for the scholarship so long as the aforementioned eligibility requirements are met. Members of the EWGA Headquarters Staff, Association Board, Foundation Board and the Foundation Board Selection Committee and their immediate families are not eligible.

**5. I do not play golf, and I am not a member of EWGA. Does this prevent me from applying for this scholarship?**

No. You do not have to play golf or be a current or former member of the EWGA to apply for or receive this scholarship.



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**6. If an applicant is a current or former member of EWGA, will she receive preferential consideration?**

No. Current or former membership in EWGA does not provide preferential treatment to any applicant.

**7. How much money will be awarded?**

One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded in 2010.

**8. What is the selection process and timeline for submission?**

**This application process is a two-step process.** Only the application form, including the personal essay and validation of current enrollment in or acceptance to an accredited school are required to be submitted in the first phase of the application process. **Applications will be accepted from January 1, 2010 through March 15, 2010.** Applications must be postmarked by March 15, 2010 to be considered. **Only the first 200 applications received during this time period will be considered for the 2010 Women On Par® Scholarship by the Scholarship Selection Committee.** Once the first 200 applications have been received, a notice will be posted on the EWGA Foundation section of the EWGA website ([www.ewga.com](http://www.ewga.com)) under the *Learn More About EWGA* tab and the application acceptance process will be closed.

**The first phase of the selection process involves an initial screening of applications to ensure that the application has been completed in full and all instructions have been followed by the applicant.** Failure to complete all required sections of the application and follow instructions will result in disqualification of the application.

Applications that meet all of the submission requirements for the first phase of the process will then be reviewed by the Scholarship Selection Committee. The Scholarship Selection Committee is comprised of three (3) members of the EWGA Foundation Board of Directors and two (2) at-large EWGA members who are not members of the EWGA Foundation Board of Directors.

**The Scholarship Selection Committee will select a pool of applicants to participate in the second phase of the application process.** All initial applicants will be notified by e-mail (or U.S. mail if the candidate does not have an email address) by April 1, 2010, concerning their status in the application process.



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**The applicants chosen as finalists for the scholarship will be entered into phase two of the selection process** and will be asked to provide official school transcripts (from previously attended schools), financial documentation (Form 1040 filed with the IRS or any foreign equivalent tax form filed for tax year 2009) and three sealed letters of recommendation. Detailed instructions for finalists completing phase two of this application process will be posted on the EWGA Foundation section of the EWGA website ([www.ewga.com](http://www.ewga.com)) under the *Learn More About EWGA* tab on April 1, 2010. This information packet must be submitted by the finalists postmarked no later than May 15, 2010.

The Scholarship Selection Committee will review all finalists' applications and the winner will be announced no later than June 15, 2010.

**9. How will I know when the first 200 applications have been received?**

Only the first 200 applications will be considered by the Scholarship Selection Committee. Once the first 200 applications have been received, a notice will be posted on the EWGA Foundation section of the EWGA website ([www.ewga.com](http://www.ewga.com)) under the *Learn More About EWGA* tab and the application acceptance process will be closed.

**10. Who is on the Scholarship Selection Committee?**

The Scholarship Selection Committee is comprised of three (3) members of the EWGA Foundation Board and two (2) at-large EWGA members who are not members of the Foundation Board.

**11. What if I choose not to answer all of the application questions or provide all required documentation?**

For Phase One of the application process, applicants must submit the following materials in order for the application to be considered:

- Completed application form. All information must be provided as required in Sections 1-11 of the form for your application to be considered.
- Proof of current enrollment in , or acceptance to, an accredited school
- A self-addressed, stamped envelope if you do not have an email address (this is required in order to inform you of the selection of the scholarship finalist pool and your individual status in the application process).



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If you are selected to advance to Phase Two of the application process as a scholarship Finalist, you must submit the following materials in order for your application to be considered:

- Official transcripts from schools previously attended
- Three (3) sealed letters of reference
- Official financial documentation of your 2009 income (Form 1040 as filed with the IRS or foreign equivalent).

An incomplete application, including unanswered questions, missing documentation and/or inappropriate formatting, will not be evaluated.

**12. What if I have questions when filling out the application?**

Please address any questions you have about this scholarship application to [foundation@myewga.com](mailto:foundation@myewga.com)

**13. What if I can't download the documents?**

Email a request for forms to [foundation@myewga.com](mailto:foundation@myewga.com)

**14. If selected as the scholarship winner, will the scholarship funds be sent to me or my school?**

The scholarship will be paid directly to the educational institution where the award recipient is enrolled or has been accepted to attend. Payment will be made by no later than July 15, 2010.

**15. Can I apply again if not selected this time?**

Yes.

**16. Can I apply again if I am selected for this year's scholarship?**

Yes