

Short-Term Certification Scholarship Application

Section I --- Terms and Conditions

In partnership with the Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE), this scholarship is being offered to support students who exhibit financial need and are enrolled in a less than one-year program (*or less than 900 clock hours*) leading to a credential or certification that is considered in-demand or industry recognized. This scholarship pays for tuition only and can be awarded in conjunction with federal need-based financial aid for degree programs. The maximum benefit is up to three awards with a \$6,000 maximum per lifetime. *If the applicant's three programs do not equal \$6,000 the student is not allowed any additional funding despite not reaching the \$6,000 threshold. Grant amounts will not be altered to exhaust the \$6,000 maximum amount. Restrictions apply based on program selected (Section II).*

To be considered for this funding opportunity, the following qualifications must be met:

- Applied to Southern State and have met any program specific admissions requirements and/or prerequisites required for the qualifying program;
- Filed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and be Pell eligible or demonstrate additional need based on this application;
- Passed (successfully) any prior certifications where funding was used prior to applying for another round of funds AND paid any outstanding balances with the College;
- Resides in the state of Ohio and enrolled as an SSCC student not in College Credit Plus (CCP).

Southern State Community College does not issue a degree/certification to students who complete the short-term certifications.

Section II --- Eligible Short-Term Certifications

Please place a checkmark next to the program you are enrolled for which you would like the grant applied to. Applications will be reviewed by the Department of Financial Aid and the Registrar's Office.

Name of Program	Grant Amount	Check here to Apply
Commercial Driver's License	\$2,000	
Basic Peace Officer Training Academy	\$2,000	
QuickBooks	\$750	
Microsoft Office Specialist	\$2,000	
CompTIA A+	\$1,000	
COMPTIA Security+, COMPTIA CySA+, and * COMPTIA PenTest+ <i>*Must take all three and is a total of \$2,000 contribution</i>	\$2,000	
Certified Medical Admin Assistant., Billing and Coding Specialist and * Certified Coding Assistant (<i>program selection entrance required</i>) <i>* Must take all three and is a total of \$2,000 contribution</i>	\$2,000	
Certified Medical Administrative Specialist (<i>program selection entrance required</i>)	\$2,000	
Certified Medical Assistant, Registered Medical Assistant and * Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (<i>program selection entrance required</i>) <i>* Must take all three and is a total of \$2,000 contribution</i>	\$2,000	

Section III --- Personal Information

The following information is for reporting purposes only in compliance with the ODHE grant requirements. No identity will be made public.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

SSCC Student ID# _____ Social Security # _____ - _____ - _____ Date of Birth: _____

Phone Number: _____ SSCC Email: _____

Alt. Phone Number: _____ Alt. Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

*Gender: _____ *Race: _____ *Ethnicity: _____

**Optional Information*

Driver's License Number: _____ State Issuing the license: _____

Currently Employed: NO YES If yes, where? _____

If unemployed, how long have you been unemployed? _____

Are you a first person in your household to go to College? YES NO

Is anyone in our household receiving any government benefits? YES NO

Are you or have you ever been in the foster system? YES NO

If yes, additional funding available for Foster Students

Section IV --- Acknowledgements and Agreement

By signing this agreement, you acknowledge the following:

- 1) I agree with Section I Terms and Conditions.
- 2) I understand the classes required in order to qualify for the financial award (Sections II and IV) along with any prerequisites required for the funded classes.
- 3) I reported the information in Section III, Personal Information, truthfully and to the best of my knowledge.
- 4) I certify that I have a financial need for this grant due to underemployment or unemployment.
- 5) I agree that if I am to withdraw or be dropped from my program prior to completing the short-term certification program, the funds will be withdrawn towards my account and any remaining balance will be my responsibility.
- 6) I understand that funding is not guaranteed and any available funding will be administered on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please return form to Financial Aid Office or scan and email to financialaid@sscc.edu

Section V --- Short-Term Certificate Classes

All prerequisites must be met. See your Academic Advisor.

- **Commercial Driver's License | Grant Total Amount: \$2,000**

Student must pay any unpaid balance for the program upfront. Student must complete the 160-hour training program or the funds will be withdrawn from the student account and the balance will be owed.

- **Basic Peace Officer Training Academy | Grant Total Amount: \$2,000**

Classes include: CJUS1102 and CJUS1103 for a total of 18 credit hours.

- **QuickBooks | Grant Total Amount: \$ 750**

Classes include: ACCT1101 and ACCT2230 and test for the Quickbook Exam. Total of 6 credit hours

- **Microsoft Office Specialist | Grant Total Amount: \$2,000**

Classes include: CSCI2213, CSCI2216, CSCI2217, CSCI2218, and CSCI2219 and test for the MOS exam. Total of 15 credit hours.

- **CompTIA A+ | Grant Total Amount: \$1,000**

Classes include: CSCI1150 and CSCI2246 and test for the certification. Total of 6 credit hours.

- **COMPTIA Security+, COMPTIA CySA+, and COMPTIA PenTest+ | Grant Total Amount: \$2,000**

Classes include: CYBR2210, CYBR2220 and CYBR2230. Must take all three classes and test for the three certifications. Total of 9 credit hours.

- **Certified Medical Admin Assistant, Billing and Coding Specialist and Certified Coding Assistant | Grant Total Amount: \$2,000**

Classes include: MAST1101, MAST1111, MAST1115, MAST2212, and MAST2218. Must take all classes and test for all three certificates. Total of 14 credit hours.

- **Certified Medical Administrative Specialist | Grant Total Amount: \$2,000**

Classes include: ALTH1160, MAST2215, MAST2220, MAST2230, MAST2240. Must take all classes and test for the certification. Total of 14 credit hours.

- **Certified Medical Assistant, Registered Medical Assistant and Certified Clinical Medical Assistant | Grant Amount: \$2,000**

Classes include: MAST1118, MAST1126, MAST2205, MAST2226, MAST2297. Must take all classes and test for the certification. Total of 8 credit hours.