



2024 Katina John Malta Scholarship

Application Checklist

Please print your name: _____. Use this Checklist to make sure **all** parts of your application have been completed. Submit this Checklist as the top page of your completed application and with all the necessary documents, and send the whole package to:

Malta Scholarship Committee
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
8 East 79th Street
New York, NY 10075

All the Checklist items below must be included with your completely filled-in application (all 3 pages) for proper processing by the Scholarship Committee. If there are any missing pieces your application will not be considered by the committee.

Checklist: The following items must be enclosed with your application:

- Official Transcript(s)** Include High School transcripts and if already at college, any current college transcripts plus SAT and/or ACT testing records.
- A Letter of Acceptance** OR **Proof that you are a full-time student**
(For those entering college in Fall 2024.) (If you are already attending a college or university.)
- Copies of **Federal Income Tax Returns** - Your parents' return and your return if you worked.
- A copy or transcript of your **Baptismal** or **Chrismation Certificate**
- Proof of Permanent Residency (i.e., Birth Certificate, Naturalization Certificate, or Permanent Residency Certificate)
- Three (3) Letters of Recommendation** - They should be from: 1) a Teacher/Professor, 2) an Employer **and** 3) an Orthodox Clergyman (**required**). The letters should address: a) your academic record, and b) your extracurricular activities, such as community service or parish activities.
- An **Essay** - Your essay (one page maximum) should address the reason(s) you are applying for this scholarship and how your planned studies, with receipt of this scholarship, will help you serve the Church and/or the community at large.
- A **brief resume** (2-page maximum), **including the following information:**
 - Honors and Awards (only most significant honors/awards—academic and others; date received)
 - Language(s) (including proficiency levels)
 - Special skills (any skills, abilities, or appropriate experiences you feel better qualify you for this scholarship)
 - Extracurricular information: activities, esp. at church; volunteer/community service; special programs; paid or unpaid employment and/or internships. Please include name(s) of organization(s), years of involvement with each, brief description of program, service or work responsibilities. For employment and internships please list hours/week.

Have you completed this **Checklist** and reviewed that **all** of the items required are included with your scholarship submission? **Have you signed the application/release form?**
Both your signature and your parent's or guardian's signature are required.

Deadline for submission of applications: May 17, 2024



GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA

2024 Malta Scholarship - Application Instructions

Attached is a **Checklist and Application for the 2024 Malta Scholarship**. Please read the following instructions very carefully. Candidates must submit a completed application and all required documentation to the Scholarship Committee by the due date in order to be considered for a scholarship. One or more scholarships of \$1,000 will be awarded.

The application is three pages long and must be filled out in its entirety. All of the required documentation also needs to be included with your submission (see list below and the Checklist for details). Make sure you include the Checklist as the top page of your completed application. Please print clearly. The deadline for submitting your completed application is May 17, 2024.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that his/her application is complete.

As designated by the donor, selection of the recipients will be based on the following criteria:

- **Candidates must provide evidence of true financial need.**
- **Preference will be given to candidates who are orphans (one or both parents).**
- Candidates must be of the **Eastern Orthodox faith**, within one of the jurisdictions of the “Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of North and Central America” (see application for a detailed list). Applicants must also provide evidence of being involved in church and parish activities.
- At the time of application, candidates must be high school seniors and beginning their undergraduate degree program in the fall of 2024 or already a full-time matriculated student committed to serious study on a full-time basis in an **undergraduate degree program** at an **accredited college or university**.
- Candidates **must be citizens or permanent residents** of the United States. Proof of permanent residency is required i.e. copy of Birth Certificate; Naturalization Certificate; Permanent Residency Documents.
- Candidates must have achieved and must provide proof of a combined SAT minimum score of 1000. If the SAT were not taken, another measure used by the academic community, for example the ACT, should be substituted.
- Applicants must have maintained a minimum grade point average of at least a B, 80, or 3.0 through high school and must submit their high school transcripts as proof.
- **Students already enrolled in college must submit both current college transcripts, as well as their final high school transcripts, including SAT (or ACT) test scores.**
- Students should be undertaking studies in the sciences, business or the arts.
- Candidates must submit a fully completed application to the Scholarship Committee. The application is three pages long, and all sections must to be filled out. **Please print clearly.**

- Your submission must also include **all** the required documentation as highlighted on the Checklist and listed below. **Make sure your application submission includes the following documents (additional details available on the Checklist):**
 1. **Official transcripts from high school and college (if applicable).**
 2. **Letter of acceptance (for those entering college) or proof that you are a full-time student (for those already attending college). i.e., tuition statement, letter from registrar, etc.**
 - **Copy of financial statement from the Bursar's Office, stating student's outstanding tuition and fees (**NOTE: Scholarships will not cover Room & Board, just tuition).**
 3. **Copies of the most current Federal Income Tax Returns (your parents' return and your return if you did paid work).**
 4. **Copy of debt schedule (if applicable) stating any accrued liability of the student.**
 5. **A copy or transcript of your Baptismal or Chrismation Certificate.**
 6. **Three (3) Letters of Recommendation (one must be from an Orthodox Clergyman).**
 7. **An essay (topics are listed on the checklist).**
 8. **A brief resume (2 pages maximum), including information about yourself, as detailed on the checklist.**
 9. **Proof of permanent residency, such as a birth certificate, naturalization certificate, or permanent residency certificate.**

NOTE: *All tuition scholarship awards will be paid directly to the college or university being attended!!*

Use the checklist to make sure you have included every item in your submission.

Recommendation letters can be sent directly to the committee from the individuals writing them or you can collect them and submit them with the rest of your documents. In either case, the applicant is responsible for ensuring that these letters, as well as all pieces of your application, are received by the committee.

The candidate should be available for a telephone interview at the Committee's discretion.

If there are any questions, please e-mail us at scholarships@goarch.org

Completed applications (with all the required documentation) should be sent to:

**Malta Scholarship Committee
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
8 East 79th Street
New York, NY 10075**

Scholarship submissions must be postmarked by the DEADLINE: MAY 17, 2024

2024 Katina John Malta Scholarship



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Applicant Information

Applicant's Instructions: Please complete all sections of this application (there are three pages); print clearly; sign it (you & your parents), and return it together with all required documents, as noted in the Instructions and the Checklist. (Please include the Checklist). Please note that incomplete applications will not be considered for an award.

➤ Please send your completed application and all required documents to: Malta Scholarship Committee, Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, 8 East 79th Street, New York, NY, 10075. The application deadline is **May 17, 2024**.

<p>1. Applicant's Name (First, Middle, Last)</p>	<p>2. E-mail Address</p> <p>_____</p>																																									
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<p>7. Education</p> <p>7a. Enrollment Status for 2024-2025 (Check applicable boxes):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Accepted for full-time study (to begin Fall 2024) or</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Already enrolled full-time in an accredited post-secondary institution; indicate status for 2024-2025 academic year (please check <u>one</u> box below):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sophomore <input type="checkbox"/> Junior <input type="checkbox"/> Senior <input type="checkbox"/> Transfer student (Yr. ____)</p> <p>7b. Name of Undergraduate College/University (must be an accredited post-secondary institution):</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Address:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>7c. Field of Study:</p> <p>Degree Program:</p> <p>Major and Minor:</p> <p>7d. Current Scholastic Standing (last academic year):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Actual GPA Score: _____ points out of _____ points (i.e: 3.75 pts out of 4 pts)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Weighted GPA Score: _____ points out of _____ points</p> <p>Letter Grade Average: _____ Rank in Class: _____ out of _____</p>	<p>6a. Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) _____</p> <p>6b. Place of Birth _____</p> <p>8. Test Scores and Dates <small>Enter your ACT, SAT I, and SAT II test dates and current highest scores earned, if available. Also list any planned test dates. If you have taken an exam more than once, record your highest score. For SAT I, please use your best total score.</small></p> <p>8a. ACT</p> <table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td>MO / YR</td> <td>English</td> <td>Math</td> <td>Reading</td> <td>Science Reasoning</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Test Date</td> <td colspan="3">← Subscores →</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td colspan="4">COMPOSITE SCORE</td> </tr> </table> <p>8b. SAT I Reasoning Test (without writing)</p> <table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td>MO / YR</td> <td>Verbal</td> <td>Math</td> <td>TOTAL SCORE</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Test Date</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>8c. SAT II: Subject Tests</p> <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;"> <p>Mathematics – Level I or IC</p> <table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td>MO / YR</td> <td>Score</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Test Date</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> </td> <td style="width: 50%;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td> <p>Mathematics – Level IIC</p> <table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td>MO / YR</td> <td>Score</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Test Date</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> </td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td> <p>Third Test</p> <table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td>MO / YR</td> <td>Score</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Test Date</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> </td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	MO / YR	English	Math	Reading	Science Reasoning	Test Date	← Subscores →					COMPOSITE SCORE				MO / YR	Verbal	Math	TOTAL SCORE	Test Date				<p>Mathematics – Level I or IC</p> <table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td>MO / YR</td> <td>Score</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Test Date</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	MO / YR	Score	Test Date			<p>Mathematics – Level IIC</p> <table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td>MO / YR</td> <td>Score</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Test Date</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	MO / YR	Score	Test Date			<p>Third Test</p> <table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td>MO / YR</td> <td>Score</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Test Date</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	MO / YR	Score	Test Date		
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9. Family Information (Please be accurate and truthful in answering these questions)

9a. Marital Status of Parents: (Check applicable box and if needed, provide a detailed explanation on a separate piece of paper)

- Married Remarried Single Divorced/Separated Widowed

9b. Total number of people in your family, including yourself: (Number) _____

9c. List all Dependents, other than yourself, who are supported by your parents: (List all children 21 years of age and younger, and/or children or other relative(s) receiving support from your parent(s))

Full Name

Age

School Currently Attending (where applicable)

9d. Special Family Status/Circumstances (If applicable, provide a detailed explanation on a separate piece of paper):

Applicant is:

- an Orphan - one or both parents Parents are 65 years of age and over Disabled parent(s)
 Applicant is married Other situation

10a. Parent(s) information

Father's Full Name

Mother's Full Name

Address (City and State Only)

Address (City and State Only)

10b. Parent Employment Information

Father's Current Occupation

No. of Yrs.

Mother's Current Occupation

No. of Yrs.

Employer: _____

Employer: _____

Father's Previous Occupation

No. of Yrs.

Mother's Previous Occupation

No. of Yrs.

12. Budget for 2024-2025

12a. Calculation of Expenses

Tuition

\$ _____ .00

Room

\$ _____ .00

Board

\$ _____ .00

Books

\$ _____ .00

Transportation

\$ _____ .00

Fees

\$ _____ .00

Other Expenses (Please specify)

\$ _____ .00

12b. Total Expenses

\$ _____

12c. Sources of Financing

Institutional Scholarships

\$ _____ .00

Non-institutional Scholarships

\$ _____ .00

Government Grants

\$ _____ .00

Student Loans

\$ _____ .00

Other Financial Aid (specify source)

\$ _____ .00

Other Sources (please specify)

\$ _____ .00

Parental contribution

\$ _____ .00

12d. Total Resources

\$ _____

11. Parent(s)' Gross Annual Income for the past three years

(Must be completed if you receive any support from your parent(s) and/or are a dependent, and/or they are contributing to your tuition, room & board, etc.)

2023 \$ _____ .00

2022 \$ _____ .00

2021 \$ _____ .00

Attach a copy of parent(s)' most current Federal tax forms.

13a. Student Gross Annual Income

2023 \$ _____ .00

2022 \$ _____ .00

2021 \$ _____ .00

13b. Student Hours Worked:

_____ hours per week.

- paid or volunteer/ intern

Attach a copy of your most current Federal tax forms.

14. Accrued Liability (from debt schedule)

Indicate the amount of student loan debt you have incurred thus far:

\$ _____ .00

15a. Have you applied for the Malta Scholarship before?

- Yes No

Year(s) of Application: _____

15b. If yes, are you a previous recipient of an award?

- Yes No

Year(s) of Award: _____

16. Other Financial Assistance

Please list below any awards you have or will receive that will assist you financially while enrolled in your degree program. (These should also be summarized and included in your calculation of resources in number 12c of this application.)

Name of Award Amount of Award Duration of Award

17. Jurisdiction: Please indicate which jurisdiction of the “**Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States of America**” you belong/attend. If a member of the Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF) at college, please indicate this as well, below.

- Albanian Orthodox Diocese of America
- American Carpatho-Russian Orthodox Diocese in the USA
- Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America
- Bulgarian Eastern Orthodox Church
- Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
- Orthodox Church in America
- Romanian Orthodox Archdiocese in America & Canada
- Serbian Orthodox Church in the United States & Canada
- Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA
- Moscow Patriarchate in the USA

Parish name and location: _____
Parish Name City, State

For those already in school, if your college has an Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF) and you belong, please indicate this.

OCF at College/University (SCHOOL NAME) _____ Location: _____
CITY, STATE

18. DISBURSEMENT & CONTACT INFORMATION (Provide your school’s specified information below regarding the acceptance of outside scholarships/donors. Failure to correctly do so may result in significant delay of disbursement and crediting of scholarship funds to your student account should you be a recipient of an award)

Name of University/College and Scholarship Office/Dept. (U.S. schools only):

Address:

Scholarship Office/Dept. Telephone Number:

Student ID Number:

Student Account Number (If Applicable):

19. ANNOUNCEMENT INFORMATION

Applicant’s Full Name:

Address:
(City and State only)

AUTHORIZATION AND CERTIFICATION

I authorize the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America (GOA) to release application information, including copies of my application and my test scores, to the **Malta Scholarship Committee (MSC)** or agent thereof. All information is for internal use only and remains confidential.

I agree to have the GOA and/or the MSC or agent thereof to verify any and all of the application information given, including pertinent personal and financial information. The GOA and/or MSC or agent thereof may contact my employer(s), references, as well as schools cited herein to substantiate this information. I also understand that I may be required to authenticate the information given by submitting copies of financial aid application(s), or any other relevant document(s) or statement(s).

I hereby certify that the information provided in this application is accurate and that I am the author of the attached essay. I understand that if any information is found to be inaccurate or incomplete, the MSC will deny me an award.

If awarded the Malta Scholarship, I authorize the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America to publicize my being a recipient (Section No. 19). I further consent to the release of any related disbursement and contact information in order to facilitate direct payment to the College or University that I am attending (Section No. 18).

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____