



SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF SANTA ROSA  
ETHEL POLHEMUS BALBI MASTER'S SCHOLARSHIP (\$3,000)  
APPLICATION FORM

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security # **(required)**: \_\_\_\_\_  
e-mail (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Master's Units Completed (if any): \_\_\_\_\_ Remaining: \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Completion Date \_\_\_\_\_

This application **MUST** include the following:

1. Proof of current enrollment in the Master's Program in a University located in the California counties of Sonoma or Marin (attach proof of enrollment to this application).

2. Proof of financial need - complete the following:

Savings available for school (source and amount):

Loans/Scholarships student has already secured (source and amount):

Other (Examples include family assistance, employment, include source and amount):

Applicant's education expenses per semester:

Tuition: \_\_\_\_\_ Books: \_\_\_\_\_

Transportation: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Autobiographic sketch (attach separate sheet): include a paragraph that describes your family background, extracurricular activities, hobbies, interests, etc. Tell us about you, personally. You will have an opportunity to describe your career goals in item 4.

4. Field of study (attach a separate sheet, one page in length, double spaced, 12 pt. font): include a comprehensive statement of purpose and how these studies may contribute now or later to the welfare of humanity. Note: this is one of the most important components of the application process. No personal interviews will be conducted so candidates need to adequately explain their goals and visions for the future impact they expect to make after having completed their studies.
  
5. Two confidential Letters of Recommendation from current or past college faculty members who know you and your academic accomplishments (may be sent separately if postmarked by deadline):

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ALL MATERIAL MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN **November 15**.

INFORMATION AND LETTERS OF REFERENCE POSTMARKED AFTER THAT DATE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

MAIL APPLICATIONS AND SUPPORTING MATERIALS TO:

SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF SANTA ROSA,  
ATTN: SCHOLARSHIP CHAIR  
P.O. BOX 933,  
SANTA ROSA, CA 95402

QUESTIONS? Contact LYNN RIEPENHOFF (707) 525-8424 – e-mail: [lynnsplc@gmail.com](mailto:lynnsplc@gmail.com)

[or CAROLYN SMALL (707) 953-8039 – e-mail [csmall@sonic.net](mailto:csmall@sonic.net) ]

A Masters Scholarships may be awarded to more than one applicant in any given year with a minimum award amount of \$3,000. Applicants are encouraged to re-apply each year, especially if they have been previously chosen as a Masters awardee.

*Note: A candidate may submit applications for the various scholarships offered by Soroptimist International of Santa Rosa, however, only one scholarship will awarded to the same applicant for the upcoming academic year.*

For more information about Soroptimist International of Santa Rosa, visit our website at [www.sisantarosa.org](http://www.sisantarosa.org) which contains links on the contact page to our regional, national, and international websites. The mission of Soroptimist International: Improving the lives of women and girls in local communities and throughout the world.