## ABOUT WOMEN IN FILM DALLAS & SUZANNE DOOLEY COLLEGE TUITION SCHOLARSHIP*

Women In Film Dallas (WIFD) Scholastic Grant Fund is a non-profit organization and is part of a global community that empowers, promotes and mentors women in film, television and the digital media industry through networking, recognition and educational opportunities.

The WIFD Suzanne Dooley College Tuition Scholarship is awarded to a full time woman college student studying film, television or a digital media program at a College/University. It’s named after the 1990 - 1991 WIFD President and lifetime member, Suzanne Dooley, who paved the way for women filmmakers in North Texas and beyond. Her experience as Actor, Director and Producer has given numerous members and scholarship recipients a deeper understanding of the industry, and the organization is proud to award this scholarship in her honor. *Restrictions apply.

The WIFD Board of Directors (BOD) makes the final selection of the recipient. The Scholarship will be paid directly to the recipient’s College/University and applied directly towards recipient's tuition and fees only. The award amount is determined by the WIFD BOD presiding over the scholarship’s cycle calendar year. Only one (Qty. 1) application per applicant per calendar year is permitted. Announcement of the recipient will take place during the WIFD Film Festival, or another WIFD event — as determined by the WIFD Board. The recipient is expected to be present.

*The selection of the Suzanne Dooley College Tuition Scholarship recipient is contingent upon qualified projects presented for consideration. Submission does not guarantee selection.

## *ELIGIBILITY:

Applicant must:
- identify and live as a woman
- be enrolled full time College/University student at an accredited College/University
- must be a resident of the state of Texas
- attend an accredited College/University in the state of Texas.
  - Preference will be given to students with a permanent residence in any of the following counties: Dallas, Tarrant, Collin, Denton, Ellis, Hunt, Kaufman, Rockwall, Tarrant, Johnson, Wise, Parker, or Hood
- be majoring in, or have a primary field of study in — film, television or the digital media industry
- have a minimum cumulative G.P.A. of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale

*Previous Suzanne Dooley College Tuition Scholarship recipients are not eligible. WIFD Board
Members, Grants & Scholarships Committee Members and their family members are not eligible.

**Requirements:**

Applicant must ensure that the completed application form along with any other required documents are sent to Scholarships@WIFDallas.org by the deadline. Every page submitted, must contain the applicant's full legal name and contact information.

Applicant should submit:
- the completed application form
- a personal statement including the applicant’s full legal name and contact information along with their interest, experiences in the film, television or digital media industry (1,000 words max)
- a sample of the their work submitted including the project title, description of the project and the applicant's role in the project
- two (Qty. 2) letters of recommendation — recommendations should be from a Teacher/Professor who has first hand knowledge of the applicant's abilities in the industry and is qualified to judge the applicant's work and give said recommendation due to their background/experience
- an official document from their campus registrar's office confirming the applicant's:
  - full legal name, contact information, the applicant's status as a student and their current cumulative G.P.A.

The applicant, if awarded a scholarship, gives WIFD the right to their name, story and photograph for print/video materials, reports, press releases, promotional flyers, etc., without compensation. The applicant agrees to attend WIFD Grants & Scholarships ceremonies, receptions or events in hopes to promote the program.

Note: The WIFD Grants & Scholarships committee encourages recipients to maintain contact with WIFD with career updates. This will help with our mission of empowering, promoting and mentoring women in the industry.

**Deadline:**

Submit the completed application form along with any other required documents to Scholarships@WIFDallas.org. The application deadline is September 30, 2023 11:59PM CST. The deadline to submit tuition fees for payment is January 1, 2024, 11:59 PM CST.
AWARD JUDGING CRITERIA:

The WIFD Grants & Scholarships committee reviews all submissions and makes its recommendations to the WIFD Board. The BOD makes the final selection of the recipient.

The committee considers the following when reviewing submissions:
- does the applicant meet all of the eligibility requirements?
- did the applicant provide all the required documents as instructed?
- does it appear that the scholarship will impact the applicant as a student and as a future filmmaker?
- is the applicant willing to meet the additional requirements listed within the guidelines?

For questions/concerns, contact Scholarships@WIFDallas.org