



Douglas Warne – Rolf and Wenche Eng Scholarship

Our Mission

The Sons of Norway Foundation is dedicated to funding activities that preserve and promote Norwegian heritage, positively affect members, and make Sons of Norway communities a more vibrant place to live.

Overview

The Douglas Warne – Rolf & Wenche Eng Scholarship creates an opportunity for qualified applicants to attend educational institutions in Norway and assists with the costs of tuition, room and board.

This scholarship is endowed and funded by Douglas Warne in honor and remembrance of his experiences at the University of Oslo, International Summer School and the friendship and assistance provided by the Rotary and the Rolf and Wenche Eng family during that school year and subsequent visits to Norway. Both affected his choices in life and in his profession. In 2018, Mr. Warne marked being active in his local Scandinavian Community for more than 55 years. He is past president of the Norwegian Commercial Club, president of the Leif Erikson Lodge of the Sons of Norway, secretary of the Leif Erikson Recreation Board and an alumnus of the Sons of Norway Foundation Board of Governors.

Award Amount

The monetary award for this scholarship is up to \$3,000.

Eligibility

- Any current American or Canadian members of the Sons of Norway or Rotary, as well as their children or grandchildren. Those students without family members in the Sons of Norway or Rotary may select an advocate or representative from either organization to sponsor their application.*
- Applicants of any age who have completed one full year of college level work.
- Applicants who have been accepted by an educational post-secondary institution in Norway including but not limited to craft, folk, music/theatre schools, Oslo International Summer School or undergraduate colleges/universities in Norway.
- Applicants do not have to be currently attending school to apply.
- Those who need tuition assistance for the 2023-2024 school year.**

Criteria

- A short autobiography, 150 words or less.
- An essay of 500 words or less addressing each of the following key points:
 - Describe how this scholarship will help you further your career goals.
 - Explain why you have chosen your area of study and what you hope to achieve through your career.
 - Share any involvement in volunteer, school and/or community activities and what that involvement has taught you.
 - State how your program/course of study or future plans align with at least one of the following core values of the Foundation: (1) Building the heritage of the future, (2) Sustaining the link to contemporary Norway, (3) Committing to life-long learning and service, (4) Preserving compassion for those in need, (5) Funding innovative individuals and opportunities, (6) Fostering a cohesive community of generosity.
 - Describe your involvement in the Sons of Norway and how it has shaped who you are today.
 - Explain how you will share this experience with the Sons of Norway or wider audiences.



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OR

- State how your course of study will be in accordance with the objectives of Rotary: We are 1.2 million neighbors, friends and community leaders who come together to create positive, lasting change in our communities and around the world.
- Describe any involvement in the Sons of Norway or Rotary, if applicable, and how it has shaped who you are today.
- Explain how you will share this experience with the Sons of Norway or Rotary after you return.
- Academic potential: Upload your latest completed term's transcripts.
Please note, "official" transcripts may be required once an applicant is tentatively selected.
- Financial need: Be prepared to include the amount you are able to pay for post-secondary education in the application.
- Two letters of recommendation:
 - Letters should testify to the applicant's good character, educational interests and/or job related skills.
 - If the applicant or the applicant's parent or grandparent is not a member of the Sons of Norway or Rotary, than one of the letters should be from a sponsor in the Sons of Norway or Rotary.

Application Process

Applications are only accepted via our online portal at www.sofn.com/scholarships.

Award Selection

Final selection of the scholarship winners will be made by a scholarship committee appointed by the Sons of Norway Foundation. Scoring is dependent on the use of complete sentences, proper grammar, and inclusion of information outlined in the essay requirements listed above.

Scholarship Notification and Payment

Scholarship funding is made payable to the institution listed on the application and mailed to the scholarship recipient. If awarded, the recipient will be required to complete information including his or her student ID number for the institution and a current mailing address.

Recipient Requirements

Scholarship recipients are asked to grant permission to use their photo and name in the Viking magazine, the Foundation's annual report and other scholarship promotional materials. They are also expected to give a presentation, including photos, at their Sons of Norway lodge or one close to them to explain how this scholarship is helping them achieve their educational dreams. We will provide you with a form for a lodge officer to sign after your presentation.

Revision Policy

The Sons of Norway Foundation reserves the right to modify requirements. All participants are encouraged to check the Foundation website, www.sofn.com/scholarships for the most current information.



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Questions

Questions may be directed to the Foundation at scholarship@sofn.com.

The deadline for submission of the completed application and all required elements is March 1.

* Membership must be in effect at least one calendar year prior to application. Students may only apply under their parents' or grandparents' Sons of Norway membership if they are age 26 or younger.

** The Sons of Norway Foundation does not provide financial assistance for current or previous academic years, travel, etc.

Thank you for your interest in applying for a Sons of Norway Foundation scholarship.