



## WithIt Scholarship Program Application

**The WithIt Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce that we will be offering scholarships to women who are pursuing majors that apply to the home industries in varying amounts between \$1,500-\$3,500. Our scholarships also includes the opportunity to attend the WithIt Professional Conference.**

**ELIGIBILITY:** The applicant must be a full-time college sophomore or junior in good standing at the time of application. Scholarship funds must be used for tuition at an accredited institution of higher learning by the date stated with the scholarship. Student must have a major in one of the following as it applies to the home industries: Accessory Design, Architectural Design, Forestry, Furniture Design, Textile Design, Graphic Design, Interior Architecture, Marketing with a Design or Furniture minor, Sustainable Design or majors related to the home and furnishing industries.

### **APPLICATION PROCESS:**

Only one application should be submitted per student. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

All submissions should include the following:

1. A complete application form **signed** by the student.
2. An official school transcript indicating the student's grade point average and the student's class rank. Must be sent by the school or student's faculty advisor.
3. Three letters of recommendation – two from instructors and one personal one.
4. A 300-500 word essay on why you are a candidate for a career in home furnishings and how you would contribute.
5. High resolution photo of the candidate. (plain background)
6. **The address of the Bursar for release of the check should the student receive the scholarship.**

These materials should be sent to:

Mail Address:  
**WITHIT SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**PO Box 16264**  
**High Point, NC 27261**

Shipping Address:  
**WITHIT SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**  
**2125 Eastchester Drive, Suite 103**  
**High Point, NC 27265**

### **SELECTION PROCESS:**

Judging will be based on the student's academic performance, as reflected by the grade point average and curriculum selected. Subjective judging criteria will include essays, references and statement of personal goals. Additional emphasis will be placed on involvement in extracurricular activities and the community. Financial need may be considered. The selection committee will consist of a panel of three individuals chosen by the scholarship committee and approved by WithIt's Executive Committee. Preferences will not be given to children of industry members.

### **APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

**The complete application must be postmarked no later than **March 4, 2024.****

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## WithIt Scholarship Application Form

The applicant will not be considered unless all information is completed in full and all requested documentation is provided. Please type or print clearly, and answer the following questions. Additional pages may be used if needed. Please visit [www.withit.org](http://www.withit.org) to learn more about our association.

Name: (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (M) \_\_\_\_\_ (Last) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

College/University: \_\_\_\_\_ Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Home): \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell): \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ HS Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

List any honors or awards you have won during high school and /or college: You may attach additional sheet:

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List extra curricular activities, especially leadership positions held: You may attach additional sheet:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

List and explain any home goods/ furnishings industry experiences you may have – internships, additional training. You may attach additional sheet:

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Please discuss your education path and career goals as related to the home furnishings industry: You may attach:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever attended WithIt’s Student mentoring Day? Circle: Yes or No

Have you ever attended WithIt’s Professional Conference? Circle: Yes or No

Please attach a high resolution headshot and the bursar address for your school.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitting Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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## WithIt Scholarship - Applicant References Form

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The above named student is applying for the **WithIt Scholarship**. The scholarship is for students pursuing a career in the home furnishings industry. Each applicant must submit a letter of recommendation from a person knowledgeable of the student's academic work, personal character, and extracurricular activities. Please complete the questionnaire below and add any appropriate comments or attach an additional letter. **Deadline March 4, 2024**

**1. How involved is the student in classroom activities and discussion?**

- Always involved, exhibits enthusiasm
- Active, usually shows interest and contributes.
- Somewhat involved and attentive, occasionally participates.
- Shows little or no interest
- Not Applicable

**2. How does the student perform academically?**

- Superior, masters all concepts/undertakes independent study
- Good, shows a strong working knowledge of the field
- Average, understands the material involved most of the time
- Less than Average, no evidence of accomplishments
- Not Applicable

**3. How would you describe the applicant's attitude?**

- Enthusiastic - challenges herself/himself and others
- Usually active and works to improve
- Sometimes pushes to improve
- Somewhat lackadaisical, only occasionally pushes
- Unconcerned, does not work on improvement

**4. How much personal responsibility does the applicant accept?**

- Always accepts fully and is accountable
- Usually accepts fully and is accountable
- Partially accepts fully and is accountable
- Sometimes refuses
- Often refuses

**5. Does the applicant show consideration for others?**

- Always considers other
- Usually considers other
- Little consideration for others
- Sometimes inconsiderate
- Often Inconsiderate

**6. Is the applicant a creative/thought leader in this field of study?**

- Outstanding
- Normal
- Average
- Unconcerned

**7. Would you hire this student compared to other student applicants?**

- First pick
- Definitely in the running
- Would Consider
- After experience

**8. Please rate the student's critical thinking skills.**

- Superior
- Good
- Average
- Learning

**9. How long have you known the student?**

- 1 Year
- 2 Years
- 3 Years
- 4+ Years

**10. Can the applicant easily adapt when needed on projects?**

- Superior
- Good
- Average
- Learning

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