

Asian American Christian Counseling Service, Inc.
Ryo and Jean Komae Scholarship
For 2016-2017 School Year

Deadline: February 15, 2016

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—Psalm 34:18

Asian American Christian Counseling Service, Inc. (AACCS): AACCS is a non-denominational, non-profit organization dedicated to providing emotional healing to individuals and families, to restore broken relationships, to offer hope and guidance for positive personal change and to enhance interpersonal relationships through professional counseling and education. It was founded to provide professional counseling services that are sensitive both to spiritual issues and to the nuances of Asian American culture.

Its mission is accomplished in four ways through offering:

- * Affordable and accessible counseling and psychotherapy
- * Graduate and post-graduate training of counselors and therapists who desire to serve the Asian American Christian community
- * Consultation and support to pastors, churches, community groups and missionaries and their families
- * Preventive and educational services, parent education and conferences

The Scholarship: The AACCS “Ryo and Jean Komae” Scholarship will be awarded annually to help the next generation of Christian counselors with a heart to serve the Asian American community and to give these counselors encouragement in their graduate studies as they prepare to help the “brokenhearted.”

Two scholarships of \$2,000 will be awarded each year in the spring. Payment will be made directly to the university or college during following Fall season. Each scholarship is a one-time award.

Criteria for applicants:

1. Must be a graduate student currently enrolled in an accredited Marriage and Family Therapy(MFT) Program, Masters in Social Work (MSW) Program or a Clinical Psychology (Psy.D/Ph.D.) Program at a local Los Angeles or Orange County or San Bernardino area university or college.
2. Must have an overall undergraduate and graduate school GPA of 3.0 or higher.
3. Must be of Asian American descent or have an interest in Asian culture, languages and the Asian American community.
4. Must have a heart and calling to bring his/her skills to the Asian American Christian community and the Asian American community as a whole following completion of his/her graduate program.
5. Must be a professing Christian as found in Romans 10:9.
6. Must be a regular attender at a local church.
7. Must be willing to serve as a volunteer for AACCS if awarded the scholarship (15 or more hours during the school year of receiving his/her award).
8. May not be a current or former employee or independent contractor of AACCS and may not be an immediate family member (spouse, child, sibling or in-law) of a current or former employee of AACCS or an independent contractor of AACCS.
9. Former clients must have terminated services two or more years.

Application process:

All applications with supporting documents must be submitted either by:

Email: scholarship@aaccs.org with “**Scholarship**” in your subject line
or

Mail: Asian American Christian Counseling Service, Inc.
Scholarship Committee
2550 West Main Street, Suite 202
Alhambra, CA 91801

DEADLINE: All applications and supporting documents must be received by **February 15, 2016.**

PLEASE NOTE: The 2016 Scholarships will be awarded at AACCS’s 30th Anniversary Luncheon on Sunday, April 24, 2016 at the Quiet Canon in Montebello, CA. Scholarship winners **MUST BE PRESENT** to receive their awards. Details will follow.

APPLICATION FORM

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Please type or print all information:

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home phone: () _____

Cell phone: () _____

Email address: _____

APPLICANT STATUS:

1. I am currently enrolled as a graduate student at [Name of Southern California University or College] _____
in the [check one]

- Masters of Marriage and Family Therapy
- Masters of Social Work
- Psy.D. or Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology

2. Overall GPA _____

ESSAY:

On a separate page, please submit a typed, double spaced, one or two page essay on: *“How I hope to serve the Asian American Christian and Asian American Community when I graduate”* or *“How the Lord called me into the field of counseling and therapy”*

PAST EXPERIENCES:

Please include a short description of any past and present experience and involvement in the Asian American and/or Asian American Christian Community.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:

Two letters of recommendation: one from a teacher or faculty member of your school and one from your pastor or Christian leader under whom you have served. Letters are to be submitted directly by writers to AACCS either by:

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AGREEMENT:

I have completed the application honestly and true to the best of my knowledge. The Scholarship Committee has my permission to contact my references as needed with regard to any questions that may arise as to my stated experiences and/or to clarify facts stated in this application. I fully understand that any misrepresentation of the information contained in this application may revoke my rights to the award.

Signature of applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

Your completed application with supporting documents must be submitted either by:

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CHECKLIST:

- Application form
- Essay
- Past or present experiences with the Asian American and/or Asian American Christian Community
- Two letters of recommendation

QUESTIONS:

1. Email scholarship@aaccs.org
2. Call (626) 457-2900 or (800) 970-1112, ext 372