



UMA/NADEF COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP

PROGRAM - 2024

Newmont Ahafo Development Foundation (NADeF) and **Underground Mining Alliance (UMA)** are pleased to announce to qualified **undergraduate students in the Mining and Science related fields** that the 2024 **UMA Community Scholarship application season is open.**

Through this community scholarship program, UMA and NADeF aim to help highly motivated, driven, and brilliant but needy youths overcome the financial challenges associated with their undergraduate studies.

Eligible Communities

Validated citizens of the following communities and their satellite towns are eligible: Gyedu, Kenyasi No.1, Kenyasi No.2, Ntotroso, and Wamahinso in the Asutifi North District, Adrobaa, Afrisipakrom, Susuanso, Terchire, and Yamfo in the Tano North District of the Ahafo Region of Ghana.

Additionally, applicants must:

- be between the ages of 17-30 when submitting his/her application.
- have been studying his/her undergraduate degree / HND program in an accredited University/Technical University in Ghana.
- be a student with **1st – 2nd Class Upper CGPA ranges.**
- have **three or more years** to complete his/her course duration.
- be a validated citizen of any of the ten Communities in the Newmont Ahafo Mine South and North Project area.
- be studying a program in Mining, Engineering, and Health Sciences (Degree in Nursing qualifies).

Disbursement of the Scholarship Fund

The terms and conditions of payment will be determined in coordination with the student upon his/her selection by the following guidelines:

- The academic user fees, including any supplementary examination fees, as may be required by the academic institution, will be paid directly by NADeF to the academic institution.
- An allowance to cover books and accommodation will be transferred to the student's personal bank account every year.

Required Documents from an Applicant

- Completed application forms.
- A copy of the applicant's admission letter offered by the institution.
- *Certified True Copy of at least a full academic year's transcript (Must be stamped and signed by the institution).*
- A short essay (maximum of 500 words) in English– giving reasons for applying for the UMA/ NADeF Community Scholarship Program, explaining your educational goals, and clearly describing how you will use the experience gained from your studies to help in the development of your community and society.
- Two **endorsed** recommendation letters (one from the academic section of your institution and the other from your community SDC)
- Curriculum Vitae (CV).

Application Guidelines:

STEP 1: Ensure that you fulfill the UMA/NADeF Community Scholarship Program Eligibility Criteria.

STEP 2: Fill out the application form which can be downloaded from the NADeF website (www.nadef.org) or available at the NADeF Secretariat at Ntotroso. Printed copies of application forms are also available with the Sustainable Development Committees (SDCs) of the ten Ahafo Mine Communities. Do not submit your application until you have completed the entire process.

STEP 3: Attach necessary documents; CV, two **endorsed** recommendation letters (one from the academic section of your institution and the other from your community SDC), and at least a signed **and stamped** current academic year's Bachelor / HND transcript, etc.

STEP 4: When your application is complete, and all additional documents are attached, you can email your application to info@nadef.org or submit it directly at the NADeF Secretariat. Note that, once your application is submitted, you cannot make any changes or email any more documents.

The application deadline is **Friday, 28th June 2024**. Please do not call or email NADeF to inquire about the status of your application. Due to the number of applications received, only successful applicants will be notified via email and/or telephone calls.

Please Note: Kindly read **ALL** of the directions below before proceeding with the application process:

- Applicants are responsible for gathering and submitting all necessary information. Applications will be evaluated based on the information provided. Therefore, all questions should be answered as thoroughly as



possible. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Once an application has been submitted, no changes will be allowed.

- Applications must be submitted via the provided email or to the NADeF Secretariat at Ntotroso.
- Please do not call or email NADeF to ask if your application has been received, or to inquire about the status of your application.
- Please note that only successful applicants will be contacted.
- All materials submitted will not be returned to the applicant.
- Applicants must complete the downloaded or printed application forms embossed with the NADeF official logo and/or stamp.
- All materials including the application, recommendations, and other required information must be received no later than **Friday, 28th June 2024**



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APPLICATION FORM

Applicants are requested to complete items (a) to (x) below and attach copies of all relevant documents including a copy of the admission letter, endorsed transcript from institutions, CVs, two recommendation letters from their institution and their community SDCS, among others as spelled out in the Application guidelines.

- a) Name of Applicant.....
- b) Date of Birth:
- c) Name of Institution
- d) Location of Institution
- e) Course of Study
- f) Duration of Course
- g) Level/Year of Applicant
- h) Applicant's Current Cumulative Weighted Average/GPA (as at the time of applying)
- i) Institution's Academic Calendar (Underline the appropriate one)>>**Trimester or Semester**
- j) School fees per academic year
- k) Mode of payment of fees
- l) Student ID No.
- m) Applicant's Phone Number
- n) Applicant's Email Address:
- o) Applicant's Residential Address (including House No.)
- p) Hometown of Applicant
- q) Name of Applicant's Father
- r) Hometown of Applicant's Father.....
- s) Tel. No. of Applicant's Father
- t) Address of Applicant's Father
- u) Name of Applicant's Mother
- v) Hometown of Applicant's Mother.....
- w) Tel. No. of Applicant's Mother.....
- x) Address of Applicant's Mother

DECLARATION BY APPLICANT:



I,, a student of

and a native of community guarantees that all the information provided is true and correct. I shall be prepared to work for my Community on completing my course whenever I am called upon. I shall also declare any other scholarship I may earn from other sources during my study period.

Signature:Date: