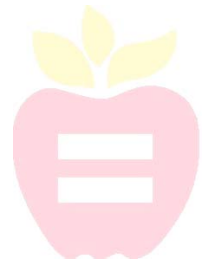
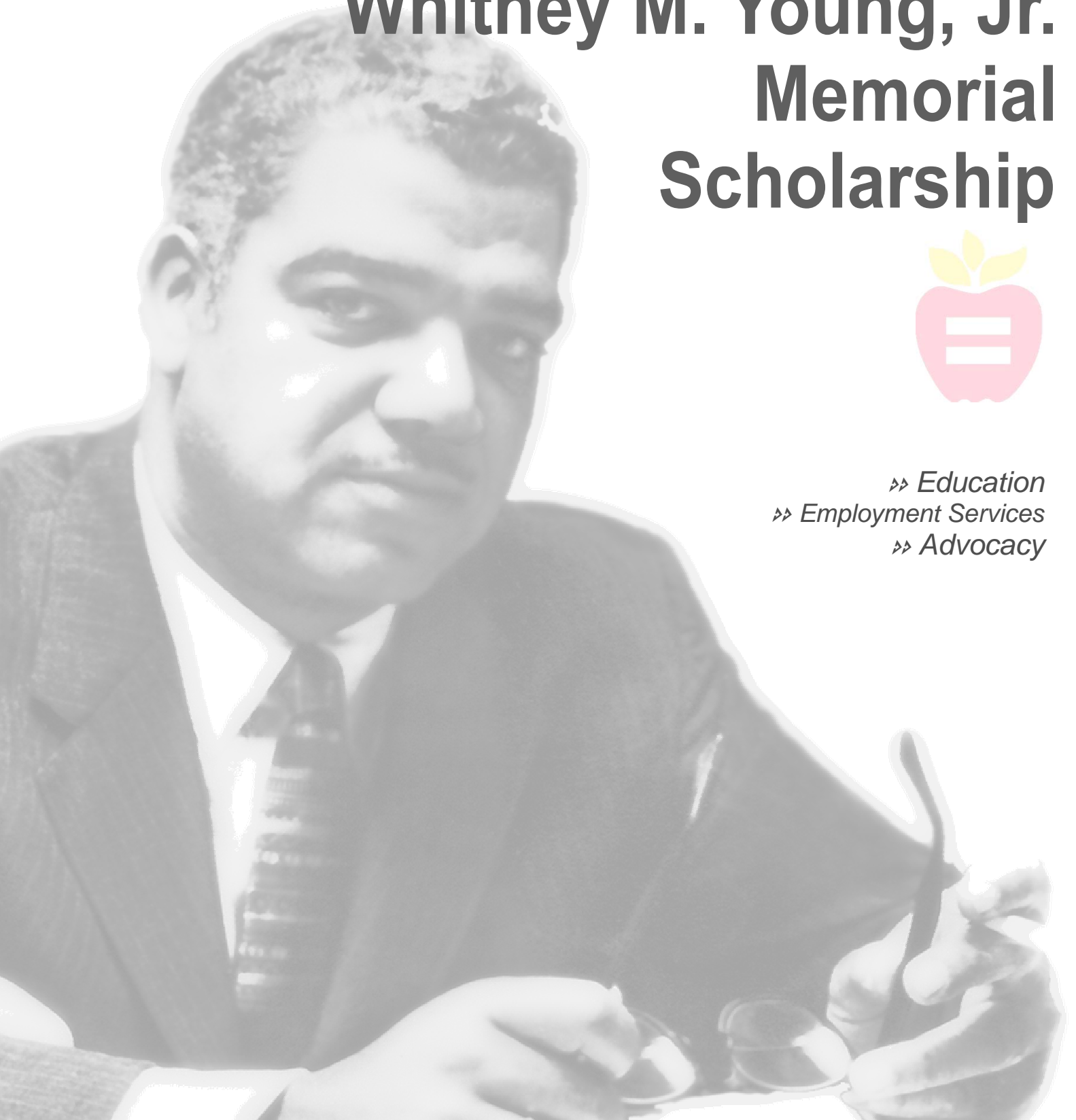


# New York Urban League

## Whitney M. Young, Jr. Memorial Scholarship



»» *Education*  
»» *Employment Services*  
»» *Advocacy*



# Whitney M. Young, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Guidelines

## Eligibility Requirements

A candidate must be:

1. a resident of New York City and of African-American, Latino, Asian or Native American (Indian) background;
2. a high school graduate or recipient of a GED;
3. accepted as a first-term matriculating freshman at an accredited college or university in pursuit of a Baccalaureate or Associate degree *at the time the award is presented*;
4. a person of sound academic achievement;
5. and of excellent character and proven leadership ability, with a demonstrated commitment to community service and extra-curricular activities.

**NOTE:** Family\* members of the National Urban League and Urban League affiliate employees, as well as Advisory Board members are disqualified from entering the scholarship program.

\*(Family is interpreted to mean immediate family members which include children, grandchildren and siblings).



## Scholarship Awards

- (a) SCHOLARSHIP OF \$3,500 PAID TO EACH AWARDEE BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR IN SEPTEMBER.  
OR  
(b) INCENTIVE AWARD OF \$2,500 PAID TO EACH AWARDEE BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR IN SEPTEMBER.



## Application Requirements

Scholarship applicants must provide the following:

- A Completed Application.
- High School Transcript, including verification of a cumulative average of at least 80, or a cumulative GED of 250.
- Two letters of recommendation attesting to the applicant's character, participation in school, community and extra-curricular activities.
- A scholarly essay, based on original research and consisting of at least 300 words, that will address the following:

*Over the course of the last few years there has been continued dialogue concerning the Community Service Society's findings that nearly half of all of African American men and 40% of Latino men in New York City are unemployed. Considering this, what do you think are the effects of high unemployment rates in the Black and Latino community in your neighborhood? What do you think is the most effective approach to empowering underserved communities within New York City in regards to creating sustainable employment?*

**Scholarship finalists will be contacted for an interview.**



## Selection Process

- › All entries must be postmarked no later than June 15, 2009 and must include a copy of your academic transcript, 2 letters of recommendation, summary of extra-curricular activities & awards and a 300 word essay.
- › Financial need will be considered only when deciding between two or more candidates who equally meet the above requirements.

› Send Completed Application and Required Materials to:

New York Urban League / Education Department  
204 West 136th Street  
New York, NY 10030  
Attn: Whitney M. Young, Jr. Scholarship

Download additional Applications at [www.nyul.org](http://www.nyul.org)



# Whitney M. Young, Jr. Memorial Scholarship Application

(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY. DETACH FROM BOOKLET BY SEPARATING ALONG PERFORATION.)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: (        ) \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_



FAMILY SIZE: \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER OF SIBLINGS: \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF SIBLINGS IN COLLEGE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN: \_\_\_\_\_

RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT: \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION(S): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDING: \_\_\_\_\_ BOROUGH: \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE POINT AVERAGE: 9TH GRADE \_\_\_\_\_ 10TH GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

11TH GRADE \_\_\_\_\_ 12TH GRADE (1ST SEMESTER) \_\_\_\_\_

List the colleges/universities you are applying to:

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COLLEGE YOU EXPECT TO ATTEND: \_\_\_\_\_

COLLEGE LOCATION: (CITY) \_\_\_\_\_ (STATE) \_\_\_\_\_

ANTICIPATED MAJOR: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE LIST EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND POSITIONS HELD (EX. HOSPITAL VOLUNTEER,  
DIRECTOR OF YOUTH CHOIR, REPORTER FOR SCHOOL NEWSPAPER):

POSITION	SITE	TIME OF SERVICE
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PLEASE LIST AWARDS AND HONORS YOU HAVE RECEIVED:

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## Whitney M. Young, Jr.

As executive director of the National Urban League, (1961–1971) Young focused on gaining equality for blacks in business and politics and improving opportunities for the urban poor. He appealed to corporate leaders to support job programs, low-income housing, and education for African Americans. He also promoted a large federal strategy—a “Domestic Marshall Plan”—to address the country's racial issues. Young advised presidents Kennedy, Johnson, and Nixon on race. He graduated from Kentucky State College in 1941, served in the army during World War II, and earned an MA in social work in 1947 from the University of Minnesota. He began his association with the National Urban League in 1947, serving as the industrial relations secretary of the St. Paul, Minn., branch until 1949, when he moved to Omaha, Neb., to assume duties as executive secretary of that branch. In 1954 he was named dean of the Atlanta University School of Social Work. He held the post until 1961, when he rejoined the NUL. The NUL expanded from 60 chapters to 98 under Young's leadership. The group also cosponsored 1963's March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom.



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