



THE TRAUB-DICKER RAINBOW SCHOLARSHIP STONEWALL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION



- 2010 APPLICATION FORM AND GUIDELINES -

The Traub-Dicker Rainbow Scholarship (TDRS) was established in 2004 to encourage and support LGBT students in their quest for a higher education. As tuition and other related costs have skyrocketed in the U.S. in the last few years, funding a college education has become a daunting challenge, particularly for some LGBT students.

Effective in 2007, the Traub-Dicker Rainbow Scholarship shifted its focus to award scholarships specifically to lesbian-identified students.

Applicants must demonstrate their motivation to making a difference with their lives. Applications are judged on the following criteria: academic excellence, outstanding community service and commitment to impacting LGBT issues. Leadership, merit, professional and personal goals will all be considered.

The TDRS grants scholarships to lesbian-identified students in two categories: 1) Graduating high school seniors who plan on attending a recognized college or university in the U.S and, 2) Already matriculated college students in any year of study, including graduate school.

A Traub-Dicker Rainbow Scholarship is to be used for tuition, and is paid directly to the recipient's school to help meet the financial needs of the student. Three \$3,000 scholarships will be awarded in June 2010 and are non-renewable.

<u>APPLICANT'S INFORMATION</u>	
Name:	_____
Permanent Address:	_____

Phone: _____	Date of Birth: _____
E-mail: _____	
High School/College/University Name & Address As Of Spring 2010:	

Highest Level of Formal Education Completed by June 2010: _____	
College/University Attending in Fall 2010 _____	
How did you hear about the TDRS Scholarship? _____	

College or University Information for 2010-2011 Academic Year

Institution Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Contact: (This is usually someone from the Registrar's Office)

Essays

There are three required essays. Each essay must be less than 400 words. Your completed essays should have your full name in the top right-hand corner of each page and be submitted with this application.

Essay #1: Tell us about your personal history to demonstrate some significant challenge or achievement in terms of community service, academic excellence or dynamic leadership.

Essay #2: Share your plans or goals to give back to or focus on the LGBT community while in school or after graduating. Explain how a TDRS Scholarship might effect your financial situation.

Essay #3: Describe a particularly important experience you have had as a lesbian and how it has affected you.

If you are a current high school senior:

Please provide a copy of your most recent academic report and a copy of your college or university letter of acceptance. Reports do not have to be sealed.

If you are a matriculated college or university student:

Please provide a copy of your most recent academic transcript. Transcripts do not have to be sealed.

Letters of reference:

Please provide two letters of reference from individuals who can attest to your academic scholarship, community service or other significant activities. References should not be from family members or friends. Letters of reference do not have to be sealed.

Statement of Understanding:

The information provided in this application to the TDRS is accurate and truthful. I give the TDRS and Stonewall Community Foundation permission to verify all information included on this form and in the letters of reference. Inaccurate or misleading information may result in forfeit of the scholarship.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Completed Applications should be mailed to the following:

Traub-Dicker Rainbow Scholarship
Stonewall Community Foundation
119 West 24th Street
New York, NY 10011-1995

Tel: 212-367-1155

Fax: 212-367-1157

Application Deadline: April 15, 2010



2010 Traub-Dicker Rainbow Scholarship/ FAQ



I am a graduate student. Can I apply?

Yes. Students at all levels of education can apply whether you are a high-school student getting ready for your first year in college or are writing your PhD thesis.

Who qualifies for a Traub-Dicker Rainbow Scholarship?

You do not need straight A's to apply but we are looking for individuals that have proven leadership ability, academic achievements and who want to make a difference in the world. When we review applications we look at the whole person.

What expenses does the Scholarship cover?

The Traub-Dicker Rainbow Scholarship goes towards tuition. The scholarship check (\$3,000) will be paid directly to the college or university.

What is the application deadline?

Applications must be received by APRIL 15, 2010.

Will you confirm receipt of my application?

Regrettably, we cannot confirm receipt of every application. If notification is important to you, we recommend that you use a delivery confirmation and tracking system, such as registered mail.

Do I have to identify as a lesbian to apply?

Yes.

If I apply once and am not selected as a Traub-Dicker Rainbow Scholar, can I reapply next year?

Yes.

When will I find out if I get the scholarship?

You will be notified in early June if you have been selected. Only scholarship recipients will be notified.

Do I have to pay this money back?

No. The Traub-Dicker Rainbow Scholarship is not a loan.

Are scholarships restricted by geographic region, or are they national?

While there are no restrictions concerning where a student is from, she must attend a school in the United States.

What if my letters of recommendation won't be done before the application deadline?

In order to be considered, all applications and accompanying materials must be received by the deadline.