

## New Futures Scholars Program Eligibility Checklist

New Futures works with young adults who are pursuing shorter-term post-secondary educational credentials, providing scholarships, academic/career advising, skill-building workshops, career education programming, and more. The Eligibility Checklist below explains the basic minimum requirements to be considered for the New Futures Scholars Program. *Please see [Appendix B: Scholars Program Eligibility Criteria](#) for more detailed information.*

Criterion	Policy
<b>Geographic Region</b>	Applicants must live in one of the following counties or municipalities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Washington D.C.</li> <li>• Virginia (<i>Fairfax County; Arlington County; City of Fairfax; City of Alexandria; City of Falls Church</i>)</li> <li>• Maryland (<i>Montgomery County; Prince Georges County</i>)</li> </ul>
<b>Age</b>	Applicants must be between the ages of 17-29
<b>Type of Degree</b>	Applicants must be pursuing one of the following degree types: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Professional certification</li> <li>• Associate degree</li> </ul>
<b>Point in Educational Program</b>	If applicants have already started their post-secondary program, they must not have completed more than 30 credits or 50% of their program
<b>Financial Status</b>	Applicants must have a combined household income that is not more than 80% of the Area Median Income  <i>**Note: please see <a href="#">Appendix B: Scholars Program Eligibility Criteria</a> for more information.</i>

New Futures alumni – those who’ve successfully completed their programs and have earned an associate degree or professional certificate in their chosen field – may apply for a second scholarship with New Futures. Those alumni (“Second Time Scholars”) must also meet the above criteria, to be considered for a second scholarship – with two notable exceptions:

Criterion	Policy
<b>Age</b>	Applicants must be 35 or under
<b>Type of Degree</b>	Applicants must be pursuing one of the following degree types: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Professional certification</li> <li>• Associate degree</li> <li>• Bachelor degree</li> </ul>

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