# 2017/2018 Scholarship Application

Please print clearly and fill out this form completely and accurately.

The information on this form will be kept confidential (for Scholarship Committee review only).

## Personal Data

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## Mailing Address and Contact Information (for correspondence about this application)

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## Academic Information and Student Profile

Year of initial enrolment at RIT Croatia (check appropriate)

- □ 09/10
- □ 10/11
- □ 11/12
- □ 12/13
- □ 13/14
- □ 14/15
- □ 15/16
- □ 16/17

In the academic year 2017/2018 I will be (check appropriate)

- □ Sophomore
- □ Junior
- □ Senior

## GPA (60%)

My Cumulative GPA is (including Spring 20165) _____________

Note: The minimum required GPA is 3.0.
Volunteering Activities (15%)

I have participated in Volunteer Work and/or Community Service during the academic year 2017/2018 (check all that apply). Please note that all the given will be verified by the RIT Croatia administration.

☐ Community Service Day (1.5%)
☐ DU Motion - Runners’ Days Dubrovnik (1.5%)
☐ Career Education Day (1.5%)
☐ Commencement Ceremony (1.5%)
☐ Recruitment activities (1.5%)
   ☐ Involvement in 3 or more enrollment activities will yield additional 1.5% which must be approved and specified by the Recruitment and Enrollment Manager.
   Please specify:
☐ Involvement in Yearbook club (1.5%)
   Please specify:
☐ Involvement in Student Government activities (1.5%)
   ☐ Greater level of involvement/ownership/initiative will yield an additional 1.5% which must be approved and specified by the Student Government Advisor.
   Please specify:
☐ Other support provided to RIT Croatia (1.5%). Other support involves special projects/activities that occur throughout the AY such as Imagine Festival, One Spirit, and similar. All projects that are result of a paid position (student employment) or regular course work will not be considered. In order to qualify for this category you must attach a letter of recommendation from Faculty or Staff Member leading the project with details of your involvement.
   Please specify:

Are you the recipient of any RIT Croatia scholarships or financial aid (please specify amounts)?

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Essay Questions - Personal Essay (25%)

Choose one of the following essay topics and write a short essay following the instructions below.

Instructions:

- Type your essay in English on the computer and submit it as a text file attachment along with your scholarship application. Submit in one of the following file formats: Word (.doc or .docx), Open Office (.odt), Rich Text Format (.rtf), Portable Document Format (.pdf).
- Type your full name on the top left corner of the first page only. It will be removed for the anonymous evaluation.
- Your essay should have a minimum of 500 words, double spaced, 2.5 cm margins all sides, Times New Roman 12pt.
- This essay must be your personal, original work. The only allowed external tool is a dictionary.
- Please give your essay a creative title.
- Your essay will be checked against plagiarism prevention software. Do not copy parts of other essays into your own text! If your essay turns out to be wholly or partly plagiarized, your scholarship application will be rejected.
- All submissions must be carefully spellchecked in English and proofread.
Work carefully! If your essay does not meet all the above criteria, your scholarship application will not be considered.

Choose one of the following essay topics:

1. Tell about a time when you recovered from a serious mistake, failure, challenge or disappointment. How did it affect you, how did you handle it, and what did you learn from the experience?

2. Describe a problem you've solved or a problem you'd like to solve. It can be an intellectual challenge, a research query, an ethical dilemma - anything that is of personal importance, no matter the scale. Explain its significance to you and what steps you took or could be taken to identify a solution.

3. Discuss an accomplishment or event, formal or informal, that you feel marked your transition from childhood to adulthood within your culture, community or family.

4. Describe something important that you have changed your mind about in the last three years. What was your previous opinion, and what led you to change your way of thinking? How does your opinion now differ from your old way of thinking?

Bonus question (optional, in addition to the personal essay)
Some say social media is superficial, with no room for expressing deep or complex ideas. We challenge you to defy these skeptics by describing yourself as fully and accurately as possible in the 140-character limit of a tweet.

Application Review Process

A Scholarship Committee consisting of a number of faculty and staff members reviews all applications and ranks students based on a weighted score.

The components of the weighted score are:

- GPA (60%)
- Volunteer work (15%)
- Essay (25%)

Each component carries points that are allocated by the Committee. Points for GPA and volunteer work are derived from a straight formula while points for the other components have a degree of subjective determination by the Committee built into their total. For example, faculty and staff evaluation may influence the score an applicant receives. Essay component will be based on a blind review of both Dubrovnik and Zagreb Campus Faculty members.

Volunteer work points for Zagreb Campus students will omit points for events that are not organized in Zagreb.

The Scholarships are awarded to those students who have the highest percentages after the weighted formula is calculated. If you have any questions about the scholarship awards or the process itself, please feel free to contact Finances.

Only complete applications will be considered.

Distribution Ratios

RIT Croatia Scholarships will be awarded based on below distribution diagram. The distribution is based on enrolment percentages of each program in previous academic years.

RIT Croatia Scholarships are awarded for full time studies (12-17 credits). If a student does not meet full time requirements for Fall or Spring semester, scholarship amount will be prorated. For example, if a student is registered for 10 credit hrs in Fall semester, and 15 credit hrs in Spring semester his/her scholarship would be 416,66Eur for Fall (500,00 / 12 *10) and 500,00Eur for Spring semester.

<p>| Scholarship Distribution for 2017/2018 |
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I, __________________________, hereby state that the information provided in this application and accompanying attachments is complete and accurate and understand that any misrepresentation or omissions may void my application.

Student Signature __________________________ Date ___________