Quintana Last Mile Scholarship (QLMS)

The Quintana Last Mile Scholarship was developed to address structural inequalities of opportunity resulting from mass incarceration. Annually, we aim to provide educational scholarships for individuals who have encountered financial barriers to graduation.

The QLMS is designed to support students that are currently or formerly incarcerated, and lack funds (up to $10,000) to complete a course of study. Preference will be given to those who are within 2 semesters of graduation, or in their last year of coursework. This scholarship could also be used to clear past school/loan debt that is keeping someone from completing a degree or certificate program.

Applications are reviewed by a team that consists of:

- Individuals who are currently, or formerly, incarcerated
- Educational professionals working to end mass incarceration and provide educational opportunities for incarcerated individuals.

Criteria for application review includes eligibility and preference, demonstrated need, and potential impact of the scholarship.

This application is available for completion online at: https://adler.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_2lO0jCr4AHgnR9s

If you are unable to submit your application online, you may mail a copy of your application to:

Adler University  
Attn: Institute on Public Safety and Social Justice  
17 N Dearborn Ave  
Chicago, IL 60602

Applications must be submitted online, or postmarked no later than end of day on Friday, July 23rd.
Eligibility - You must check the following question to be eligible.

☐ I am currently or formerly incarcerated

Preference

Enrollment

☐ I am currently enrolled in a course of study
☐ I will complete my course of study within 1 year (2 semesters or equivalent)

Student Debt

☐ I have old student debt that is delaying my enrollment in a course of study.

Basic Information

Name (First and Last) ________________________________________________

Street Address ____________________________________________________

City ______________________________________________________________

State ______________________________________________________________

Zip Code __________________________________________________________

Phone Number _____________________________________________________

** If incarcerated: Please offer the contact information of a person who we can call to discuss your application (Name, Telephone Number, and Email).

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Learning Institution Information

Institution Name ____________________________________________________

Institution Address (Street, City, State, Zip):

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Program Name: _____________________________________________________

Degree/Certificate Sought: ___________________________________________
Program Contact Name: __________________________________________________________

Program Contact Email: _________________________________________________________

Number of Credits Already Completed: ____________________________________________

Number of Credits Needed to Graduate: __________________________________________

Start Date of Next Term (mm/dd/yyyy): ___________________________________________

Total Debt Reduction Needed to Graduate (enter “0” if requesting tuition support; Numbers Only):

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Total amount requested from the QLMS scholarship (Numbers Only):

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Grants and Loans Received

In the space provided, please list all the grants and loans that you have received, or expect to receive to cover tuition. Please list the source and the amount, and the time it will cover. For example: Pell Grant, $6,400, 21-22 Academic Year.

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Essay

In the space provided, please submit a brief essay of no more than 1,200 words explaining the following: Why are you applying for the QLMS scholarship (why do you need support, and how will the support be applied), and the amount you are requesting. Please state where you are in your current program and why you selected that course of study.