

IME BECAS Scholarship 2023 Application

The IME Becas Scholarship is a partnership between the Institute for Mexicans Abroad (IME) and Fort Lewis College, to provide financial assistance to students with Mexican origins. The \$1,000-\$2,000 scholarship is intended to help remove financial barriers for students seeking to complete their bachelor's degree at Fort Lewis College; it can be used towards the cost of tuition, books, fees, or housing expenses. The Selection Committee will select recipients based on eligibility, financial need, educational achievement, and essay completion.

Incomplete and/or late applications WILL NOT be considered.

All materials must be turned in by Tuesday, September 26th at 5:00 pm to Gyana B. Gomar at: gbgomar@fortlewis.edu or in person at: El Centro de Muchos Colores (Student Union 40).

Eligibility:

1. Must be Mexican or have parents of Mexican origin (will need to provide documentation)
2. Demonstrate significant financial need
3. Be enrolled as a full-time degree-seeking student at FLC
4. Have at least a cumulative 2.75 GPA

Preference will be given to:

1. First-generation students
 2. Students who demonstrate a commitment to supporting the immigrant community
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To apply:

1. Complete and sign the application form (page 3)
2. Write two essays (250-500 words each)
 - Essay #1: Tell us about yourself and why you think you are deserving of this scholarship.
 - You can share information about your family background, ways you have supported the immigrant community (if applicable), involvement on campus, leadership roles you have taken on, ways you or your family continue to keep cultural traditions alive, or anything else you feel would be important for the committee to know about you.
 - Essay #2: Describe how this scholarship would support you in reaching your academic and professional goals.
 - Please make sure you mention how these funds will be utilized if you receive the IME Becas Scholarship and share with us what your long-term professional goals are.

3. Submit supporting documents:
 - A copy of one (1) of the following documents: Mexican birth certificate, Mexican birth certificate of one parent, Mexican passport, Mexican passport of a parent, consular ID card, IFE or INE.
 - Copy of your most recent transcript. If you're a first-year student, submit your last high school transcript. If second-year or above, submit a copy of your latest college transcript.

IME Checklist (for your own use)

Please use the checklist below to make sure you have completed all requirements. It is your responsibility to ensure the application is complete and that all requested materials have been submitted by the deadline. Incomplete applications will not be considered. All scholarship applicants will be notified of the Selection Committee's decision by 10/2/23.

A full application will contain:

____ A completed and signed IME Scholarship Application Form

____ Essay #1: Tell us about yourself and why you think you are deserving of this scholarship

____ Essay #2: Describe how this scholarship would support you in reaching your academic and professional goals

____ A copy of one (1) of the following: Mexican birth certificate, Mexican birth certificate of one parent, Mexican passport, Mexican passport of one parent, consular ID card, IFE or INE

____ A copy of your most recent transcript containing your cumulative GPA. If you're a first-year student, submit your final high school transcript. If you're enrolled at FLC or if you're a transfer student, submit a copy of your latest college transcript (does not have to be official)

SEND COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKET TO:

By email to: gbgomar@fortlewis.edu

OR

Drop it off in person at: El Centro de Muchos Colores, Student Union Room 40

DEADLINE TO APPLY: TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 26, 2023 BY 5:00 PM

IME BECAS Scholarship Application Form

Full name: _____
Last First Middle

Student ID Number: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

Home/Cell Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip code

Intended Major: _____ **Expected Graduation Year:** _____ **GPA*:** _____

* If you're a first-year student, submit your high school cumulative GPA

Are you a first-generation college student? Yes No

Are you or one of your parents a Mexican citizen? (requirement to apply) _____

How many credit hours are you taking during Fall Semester? _____

Household Income: (please check one)

\$1-\$29,999 \$30,000 - \$ 39,999 \$40,000 - \$60,000 \$60,000 or more

How many individuals live in your household: (include all adults and children) _____

Please list any other scholarships you have received for the 23-24 school year:

Certification:

I understand and agree to the terms and conditions of applying for and receiving this scholarship. All the enclosed information presented in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I hereby authorize information regarding my scholarship application and academic record to be released to the IME BECAS Scholarship Committee and to the Mexican Consulate in Denver. The Committee may require additional documentation to verify the accuracy of this application.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____