



2025 MCCU Scholarship Essay or Video Criteria

Applicants must complete an essay <u>or</u> video answering all the prompts listed below. All applicants are required to produce an original essay/video without the help of outside sources, like ChatGPT or other Artificial Intelligence.

Scholarship Prompts

- What financial lessons have helped you prepare for adulthood?
- What is your biggest financial mistake, and what did you learn from it?
- How has service—either your service to others or others' service to you—made a meaningful impact on your life?

Video Guidelines

- Copyright: Avoid using music or artwork that is protected by a copyright.
- **Content:** Must be appropriate; foul language or indecent images will result in disqualification.
- Grading Criteria: Videos will be evaluated on:
 - o Completeness of prompts
 - o Length (minimum 30 seconds)
 - Organization and conciseness
 - o Originality and creativity
 - Use of visual effects
 - o Inclusion of real-life examples
- **Submission:** Upload your video publicly to YouTube and provide the link on the 2025 MCCU Scholarship Signature Page.

Essay Guidelines

- **Format:** Essays must be typed with 12-point font.
- Grading Criteria: Essays will be evaluated on:
 - o Completeness of prompts
 - o Length (minimum 500 words)
 - o Organization and conciseness
 - Originality and creativity
 - o Proper spelling and grammar







- o Inclusion of real-life examples
- **Submission:** Essays should be saved and sent in a .pdf format. No Google Doc links, please!