



PURPOSE

The Gavalas Kolanko Foundation (GKF) is a public charity established to help students with physical disabilities reach their secondary educational goals. The GKF awards scholarships to students with physical impairments (sight, hearing, movement) at The Citadel.

FIRST-TIME APPLICANTS

First-time applicants must complete the attached form with all indicated documents and return it to Ms. Shannon McKenzie, Assistant Director Student Success Center/Services for Students with Disabilities at The Citadel—no later than **July 23, 2021**.

RENEWAL APPLICATIONS

The scholarship is renewable for up to four years, subject to the applicant's request for renewal, the applicant's continued suitability for the scholarship, and available funding of the GKF. Previous Citadel recipients, who wish to renew the scholarship, must submit (a) current academic transcripts and (b) an updated list of extra-curricular/community service activities to Ms. Shannon McKenzie, Assistant Director Student Success Center/Services for Students with Disabilities.

SELECTION PROCESS

The Foundation board will review all new and renewal applications and then

award 2021-2022 scholarships, based on applicant suitability and current GFK funding resources. If selected, award recipients will receive notification during fall semester of the current academic year. The scholarship award will be applied to your spring semester financial aid awards.

SELECTED APPLICANTS

Scholarship recipients should be prepared to serve as an ambassador/spokesperson of the Foundation and participate in GKF-related social and civic functions throughout the scholarship year. In particular, the pleasure of your presence is requested at the Foundation's largest fundraiser of the year—the Charleston James Island Connector Run (CJICR). Typically, the event has been held on "Students with Disabilities Day," proclaimed by Mayor Joe Riley, Jr. This year's CJICR is **October 23, 2021**.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION FOR FIRST-TIME APPLICANTS

In addition to completing the Personal Information Section below, first-time applicants must submit all of the following items, along with their application:

- a. Personal letter outlining your educational and vocational goals
- b. Complete, official transcript of your academic record (2.5 minimum GPA for undergraduate applicants and 3.0 minimum for graduate applicants)
- c. List of extra-curricular activities and organizations
- d. Two letters of recommendation; one must be from a former teacher. Letters of recommendation from a family member are not acceptable for this purpose.
- e. Picture of yourself
- f. Financial Information Form (located at the end of this application)

PERSONAL INFORMATION SECTION

1. Name _____
2. Home Phone () _____
3. Cell Phone () _____
4. Campus Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
5. Permanent Address (if different then above) _____

6. Email Address _____
7. Date of Birth _____
8. Nature of Disability _____
9. Name of parent(s) or guardian(s) _____
10. High School _____ City/State _____
11. Year of HS graduation _____ Standing in class/ GPA _____

For Graduate Students Only	
Bachelor Degree Awarded	
Date Degree Conferred	
Name of Institution	

12. Field of College Study: _____

Major/Minor_____

13. Class standing at The Citadel in Fall 2020: Freshman_____

Sophomore_____Junior_____Senior_____

Graduate Student _____

14. Extra-curricular activities while in college (school and community):

15. Have you been accepted for admissions to The Citadel as a new student? _____

16. Are you willing to appear at Foundation functions as an ambassador/spokesperson?_____

17. Additional information you would like to share with us so we may know

you better: _____

Financial Information Form:

Are you currently employed full or part time? [] Yes [] No

If currently employed, where and how many hours per week?

List previous scholarships and amounts awarded each year. Please note which scholarships will be awarded for the 2020-2021 school year:

List source and amounts of any current student loans. Please include any student loans for the 2020-2021 school year:

Please complete the following budget with estimated income and expenses for the year 2020-2021:

ESTIMATED INCOME		ESTIMATED EXPENCES	
Funds from Family	\$	Tuition	\$
from Work	\$	Books	\$
from Savings	\$	Supplies	\$
from Loans	\$	Housing/food	\$
from Scholarships	\$	College Activities	\$
from VET Benefits	\$	Misc. Expenses	\$

from Other Sources \$	
TOTAL \$	TOTAL \$

Signature of applicant

Date