**PURPOSE**

The Shirley G. Schmitz Foundation, Inc., a 501(c) 3 non-profit corporation, exits to help support students who have a desire to eventually form a business to further their life’s passion. Acceptable programs must include formal college courses offered by accredited universities and community colleges in Arizona.

**SELECTION CRITERIA**

Here is a partial list of the characteristics of an ideal Schmitz scholarship candidate:

* Demonstrates ethical behavior
* Shows initiative and accomplishments
* Urgency to improve personal performance
* Aspirations to start at some point a business
* High energy level and competitive spirit
* Demonstrates integrity, honesty and respect for others

**ELIGIBILITY**

Any **United States citizen** attending university or college in Arizona full time who demonstrates ability and motivation with entrepreneurial goals as a part of their future is eligible to apply.

**REAPLLICANTS**

Recipients of this scholarship my re-apply for continued support if they have fulfilled their duties and obligations under the terms of the prior scholarship award which include:

* Completion of a full year with successful academic progress toward achieving their stated business vision for the future.
* Submission of timely written reports twice per year at the end of each semester. (Three times if attending an institution on the quarterly system.)
* Participation in the additional opportunities provide by the foundation.
* Continued enrollment in an Arizona college or university for the coming year.

**AWARDS AND BENEFITS**

Each year the Foundation Board determines the number of scholarships to be awarded and amount of the scholarship. The awards are paid directly to the recipient and can only be used to support their education, i.e. tuition and books. In addition to financial support, the Foundation provides Schimtz Scholars other professional development activities and events designed to help expand their entrepreneurial skills and understand small business challenges.

2017-2018 AWARDS:First Year: $2,000 \* Second Year $2,500 \* Third Year $3,000

**APLLICATION PROCESS**

To be considered a completed application form must be received by June 15 or they will not be considered. Completed forms may be sent to:

**Shirley G. Schmitz Foundation, Inc.**

**29455 N Cave Creek Road**

**Ste 118-487**

**Cave Creek AZ 85331**

**OR**

Forms may be completed on line at: [**www.shirleygschmitz.org**](http://www.shirleygschmitz.org)

**SELECTION PROCESS**

Applications are reviewed by the Foundation Board, which selects those who should be considered for personal interview. All applicants must provide a current address, a personal email and personal phone number and respond via email to all Foundation communications.

Interviews with selected applicants are held in the Phoenix area and are in person. Candidates for interviews are informed on or before June 30th. Interviews take place in the third week of July. Applicants who cannot participate in these interviews will be disqualified from further consideration. Qualifiers are informed by email of their interview time and place. These individual interviews may last up to an hour.

**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

 [ ]  New Application [ ]  Re-Application

First/Middle/Last Name Click or tap here to enter text.

Permanent Address Click or tap here to enter text.

City/State/ Zip Click or tap here to enter text.

Present Address (if different) Click or tap here to enter text.

City/State/ Zip (if different) Click or tap here to enter text.

Date of Birth Click on arrow then use calendar. Place pf Birth Click to enter email

USA Citizen? [ ] Yes [ ]  No Gender? [ ]  Male [ ]  Female

Phone (cell) Click to enter phone. Personal email Click or tap here to enter text.

What academic year is this application being submitted for? Choose an item.

Where will you be enrolled during the coming school year? Click or tap here to enter school.

What will be your field of study/major? Click or tap here to enter text.

**\*\*\*When answering the following please feel free to expand**

**your responses using additional space\*\*\***

Describe your recent education. Include diplomas, honors, etc.:

 Click or tap here to enter text.

Describe the extracurricular activities and/or community activities you participated in this past year. Include activities which cover your entrepreneurial skills and goals.:

Click or tap here to enter text.

**New Applicants only:**

Describe any recent employment and work experience.

Click or tap here to enter text.

Explain why you believe the Foundation should award you a scholarship.

Click or tap here to enter text.

Write a short story about your life and your vision for the future.

Click or tap here to enter text.

**Re-Applicants only:**

Describe the role the Foundation’s Scholarship played in your growth and development this past year.

Click or tap here to enter text.

What has been the highlight of your involvement with the Foundation?

Click or tap here to enter text.

How would continuing involvement with the foundation benefit your growth and development?

Click or tap here to enter text.

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

Income the most recent year: Click or tap here to enter text.

Other financial support received for education and development Click or tap here to enter text.

Estimated cost of education you are seeking support for: Click or tap here to enter text.

 **CERTIFICATION**

**With the submission of this application I hereby affirm that the information provided is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.**

**Applicant’s Signature** Click or tap here to Sign. **Date** Click arrow, then use calendar.