

## **P.E.O. FACT SHEET**

P.E.O. is an international women's organization with an interest in providing women increased opportunities for higher education. There are about 6,000 chapters in the United States and Canada with approximately 310,000 members.

P.E.O. was organized as a college sorority on the campus of Iowa Wesleyan College, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, in 1869. Later it became a community organization for women.

The purposes of P.E.O. are education and philanthropic, accomplished through five international, state, and local projects. The major programs of the organization are:

P.E.O. EDUCATION FUND – A revolving loan fund at low interest.

INTERNATIONAL PEACE SCHOLARSHIP FUND – Scholarships to foreign graduate students.

COTTEY JUNIOR COLLEGE – A liberal arts two-year college for women, located in Nevada, Missouri. Founded in 1884, it has been owned and supported by P.E.O. since 1927.

PROGRAM FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION – Grant assistance to mature women who need to resume studies. Applicants are recommended and sponsored by P.E.O. chapters, which often provide support in addition to monetary aid.

P.E.O. SCHOLAR AWARD – Grants given for research or projects of exceptional women scholars.

The local chapter of P.E.O. is Chapter VV of Weed, California. It was organized on October 25, 1986, with 16 charter members. Although VV has Weed as its hometown, members come from all over Siskiyou County. As with all P.E.O. chapters, VV supports projects both on a local and international level.

**APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP**

**to be awarded by**

**CHAPTER VV OF P.E.O.  
Weed, California**

**Amount of award: \$1,000, \$500 each semester.**

**Date of award: First \$500 following registration in the fall;  
Second \$500 following registration in the spring semester.**

Please read the following before completing the application form:

1. This scholarship is restricted to female students of the College of the Siskiyou who have completed at least 12 units at C.O.S. Student does not necessarily have to be a full-time student.
2. Attendance and enrollment in C.O.S. classes at College of the Siskiyou in the coming academic year is required.
3. Student must be at least 18 years of age.
4. A grade point average of 3.0 or higher from College of the Siskiyou is required. An official transcript of work completed at C.O.S. must be submitted with application, plus a list of currently enrolled classes.
5. Financial need will be considered.
6. Two letters of recommendation, at least one of which is from a C.O.S. Faculty member, must be submitted with the application.
7. Complete application, along with transcripts and letters of recommendation must be postmarked by March 31. Mail completed applications to:

COLLEGE OF THE SISKIYOU  
FINANCIAL AID OFFICE  
800 COLLEGE AVE  
WEED, CA 96094

8. **Chapter VV of P.E.O.** will make the final determination from applicants who meet all of the above criteria. A personal interview will be required.

**APPLICATION  
for**

**CHAPTER VV OF P.E.O. SCHOLARSHIP**

**Name of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of units completed at C.O.S.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of expected graduation from C.O.S.** \_\_\_\_\_ **G.P.A.** \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Give a brief autobiography:**

**2. Explain your educational goals and objectives:**

**3. State present sources of support, listing any scholarships, loans, grants, or financial aid you are receiving at C.O.S.**