



Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
Chi Eta Zeta Chapter
Cambridge, Massachusetts



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2027 Deirdresha Wint-Eversley Memorial Scholarship

Sponsor: Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated
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We will award **one \$500 scholarship** to a woman currently enrolled as a college sophomore, junior, or senior. The scholarship may be awarded as (1) a check payable to the recipient's college or university, (2) a college or university bookstore gift card for the future purchase of textbooks or school supplies, or (3) a payment made directly to the scholarship recipient. The selected recipient will be notified by email.

The scholarship recipient will be formally recognized and presented with the award at the **Chi Eta Zeta Annual Finer Symposium in March 2027**. The specific date and event details will be provided at a later time. The recipient is encouraged to attend the symposium in person to receive the award and be formally recognized. *This scholarship award is non-renewable and non-transferrable.*

Eligibility:

- Must be a college sophomore, junior, or senior attending an accredited four-year college or university located in Massachusetts.
- Must be a woman of color.
- Must be able to provide an up-to-date official undergraduate transcript(s) from an accredited four-year college or university.
- Exhibit a record of academic rigor and achievement.
- Demonstrate a commitment to following in Deirdresha Wint-Eversley's celebrated legacy through active community service.

Application Deadline: December 1, 2026, by 11:59pm EST.

Letters of Recommendation Deadline: December 20, 2026, by 11:59pm EST.

- Applications and letters of recommendation that are incomplete or received after these dates will not be considered.

Application: The completed scholarship application and all required supporting materials must be submitted together through the **designated application link**. Detailed information regarding required materials, the application process, timeline, and deadlines is provided below.

For all questions please email: cezscholarshipchair@gmail.com



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History

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated is a community conscious, action-oriented organization established January 16, 1920 in Washington, D.C. This non-profit organization, formed on the campus of Howard University, consists of over 125,000 college-educated women. The Sorority was founded on the principles of **Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood, and Finer Womanhood**. Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. is dedicated to fostering the continuous education of young people. For more information, please visit www.zphib1920.org.

Chi Eta Zeta Chapter

Our chapter was chartered on June 23, 2008 in Cambridge, Massachusetts by eight extraordinary Zeta women. Currently, Chi Eta Zeta Chapter promotes several signature programs in the Cambridge community that focus on education, health and wellness, self-esteem, and financial management.

Deirdresha Wint-Eversley Memorial Scholarship

Triumphant Soror **Deirdresha Wint-Eversley** was born on January 5, 1990, in Kingston, Jamaica, and immigrated to the United States at the age of five. From an early age, she demonstrated an unwavering commitment to education, service, and uplifting others — values that shaped her life and legacy.

Driven by a passion for justice and advocacy, Soror Wint-Eversley earned a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice with a concentration in Pre-Law from the Rochester Institute of Technology before pursuing her Juris Doctor degree at Western New England University School of Law. Throughout her academic journey, she distinguished herself as a scholar, leader, and advocate dedicated to creating meaningful change in her community.

Her commitment to academic excellence earned her numerous honors, including the **CALI Award for Academic Excellence in Immigration Law**, the **CALI Award for Academic Excellence in Criminal Procedure: Investigation**, multiple **Dean's List** recognitions, designation as a **Proud Public Servant Law Scholar**, and the **Joanne Grumble Memorial Scholarship**.

Beyond the classroom, Soror Wint-Eversley emerged as an influential leader within the legal community. She served as **Chief Justice of the Appellate Court Board** and held leadership roles in **Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, International, Middleton Chapter**, the **Public Interest Law Association**, **OUTLaw**, and the **Black Law Students Association**. She also served as a student representative to the **Massachusetts LGBTQ Bar Association** and the **Public Interest Law Faculty Committee**, championing diversity, inclusion, and access to justice. Additionally, she was an active member of the **Family Law Association**, **Women's Law Association**, and the **Environmental Law Coalition**, demonstrating her commitment to using the law as a tool for service and empowerment.

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While her academic and professional accomplishments were remarkable, community service remained at the heart of who she was. Soror Wint-Eversley devoted herself to serving others, regularly organizing food drives and community outreach initiatives that addressed the needs of underserved populations. Her dedication to service never wavered — even during her courageous battle with cancer, she continued to give generously of her time, talents, and compassion.

In the Spring of 2015, Soror Wint-Eversley became a member of **Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, Chi Eta Zeta Chapter**, alongside four of her beloved intake sisters. She embodied the Sorority's principles of **Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood, and Finer Womanhood**, serving as a role model whose impact continues to be felt by her Sorors, colleagues, friends, and community.

Legacy and Scholarship Purpose

Triumphant Soror Wint-Eversley's life serves as a powerful reminder that true leadership is rooted in service, perseverance, and a commitment to uplifting others. Her legacy lives on through the countless lives she touched, the communities she strengthened, and the example she set for future generations.

To honor her memory and preserve her legacy, the **Deirdresha Wint-Eversley Memorial Scholarship** will be awarded **biennially** to a deserving young woman of color who exemplifies the qualities that defined Soror Wint-Eversley's life: **academic excellence, leadership, community service, resilience, and a dedication to creating positive change.**

Through this scholarship, we celebrate Triumphant Soror Wint-Eversley's enduring impact and invest in future leaders who share her passion for education, advocacy, service, and community empowerment. May this award inspire recipients to pursue excellence, lead with purpose, and continue the legacy of a woman whose life exemplified the very best of scholarship and service.

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Scholarship Application Process

Application Timeline & Deadlines:

Please review the following timeline carefully. Applicants and recommenders have separate submission deadlines.

- **Application Opens:** October 1, 2026
- **Application Materials Due:** December 1, 2026, at 11:59pm EST
 - [Completed Scholarship Application through the provided link.](#)
 - Resume, including documentation of community service.
 - Professional Headshot.
 - Completed Essay, adhering to the specifications outlined below.
 - Official Undergraduate Transcript(s) from an accredited four-year college or university.
 - Two Letters of Recommendation.
- **Two Letters of Recommendation Due:** December 20, 2026, at 11:59pm EST.
 - **(1) Community/Service Recommendation:** A letter from a local community member or an **active** member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. who can speak to your character, service, and involvement within the community.
 - **(2) Academic Recommendation:** A letter from a professor, faculty member, or academic advisor at your college or university who can speak to your academic performance and overall character as a student.
 - Both recommendation letters should be emailed to cezscholarshipchair@gmail.com with the following subject line:
 - **Student's First and Last Name – Recommendation Letter.**
- **Application Review:** January 2027
- **Recipient Announced:** February 2027
- **Scholarship Awarded:** March 2027

Applicant Responsibility:

- Applicants are responsible for submitting all required application materials by **December 1, 2026, at 11:59pm**, and for communicating with their recommenders to ensure both letters are received by **December 20, 2026, at 11:59pm**.

Recommender Responsibility:

- Recommenders are responsible for submitting their letters **directly to** cezscholarshipchair@gmail.com by **December 20, 2026, at 11:59pm**.
- To assist with this process, the two recommenders that are listed within the submitted application will each receive two reminder emails:

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- The first reminder email will be sent when the applicant submits their application.
- The second reminder email will be sent **72 hours** prior to the recommendation letter deadline, on **December 17, 2026**.

Essay Prompt: Choose one of the following prompts to create a 600-word response.

Option 1: Two Values + Personal Story

Our scholarship recognizes young women who demonstrate **academic excellence, leadership, community service, resilience, and a dedication to creating positive change**. Select **two** of these values that are most meaningful to you. In 600 words, describe what these values mean to you, how you have demonstrated them through your experiences, and how they will guide your future goals.

Option 2: One Challenge, Two Values

Describe an experience that challenged you and helped shape your character. In 600 words, explain how **at least two** of the following values were demonstrated through that experience: **academic excellence, leadership, community service, resilience, and dedication to creating positive change**.

Applications must include all required materials and recommendation letters to be considered complete and eligible for review. Late or incomplete submissions will not be considered.

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