



THE GRACEKENNEDY DIGITAL INSTITUTE SCHOLARSHIP PROVIDED BY THE GRACEKENNEDY FOUNDATION

CONDITIONS OF AWARD OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

1.0 AWARD

1.1 The award shall be known as **THE GRACEKENNEDY DIGITAL INSTITUTE SCHOLARSHIP**

1.2 The scholarship is for **one academic** year only.

2.0 TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The applicant shall:–

2.1 Be entering their **final year** in the upcoming academic year at one of the following institutions:

- University of the West Indies
- University of Technology, Jamaica
- Northern Caribbean University
- Edna Manley College of the Visual and Performing Arts

2.2 Be pursuing an undergraduate degree programme in a digital or digital related course of study, such as:

- Computer Science/ Information Technology
- Computer Information Systems (Data Analytics)
- Computer Network and Security
- Computer Systems Engineering
- Applied Artificial Intelligence
- Software Engineering-Mobile Application Technology
- Statistics
- Visual Communications: Design/ Animation/ Illustration

2.3 Be a Jamaican citizen.

2.4 Be a **full-time** student.

2.5 On the first day of March in the year of the application, the candidate

shall not be over the age of twenty-three (23) years.

- 2.6 Be a person of good character, displaying leadership qualities, and having active involvement in community service.
- 2.7 Have completed and submitted **The GraceKennedy Digital Institute Scholarship** application form by **March 31**.
- 2.8 Have a 3.0 GPA average or above.
- 2.9 Have given good and sufficient evidence that the requirements specified in 2.1 to 2.8 above have been satisfied.

3.0 INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Supporting documents to be submitted with the application form:-
 - i. Copy of birth certificate
 - ii. Academic records – Copies of CSEC, CAPE certificates and university transcript (1st year to current). It is the responsibility of the applicant to submit all outstanding academic grades received after April 30. These grades are to be emailed to gkfoundation@gkco.com
 - iii. Statement about career goals, leadership abilities, social & community involvement. Share life examples of the applicant's creative energy and curiosity (not to exceed 500 words).
 - iv. Financial Aid Declaration Form
 - v. Current screen shot of your school account, showing any balances
 - vi. Resume
 - vii. A letter of recommendation from a current lecturer/tutor

4.0 REGULATIONS

- 4.1 The Scholarship is valued at a maximum amount of **\$200,000.00**.
- 4.2 The Scholarship is valid for the academic year immediately following the offer of the award and cannot be deferred for any reason.
- 4.3 The award is subject to a review of your performance at the end of the first semester. You should, therefore, ensure that the GraceKennedy Foundation

receives a progress report at the end of Semester 1. 50% of your award will be paid for Semester 1 and once your GPA is at least 3.0, the balance will be paid for Semester 2. Failure to meet these stipulations will result in the balance not being paid for Semester 2.

4.4 With respect to The GraceKennedy Digital Institute Scholarship, the following shall apply:

- i. The holder of the Scholarship is required to pursue the course of study for which the award is granted. An alteration of that course of study may not be made without the Donor's approval; hence failure to comply with this may lead to the withdrawal of the scholarship.
- ii. Scholarship funds are disbursed via the Universities' Scholarship office, but all communication concerning the award should be directed to the gkfoundation@gkco.com Attn: GK Campus Connect Coordinator.
- iii. The holder of the Scholarship agrees to participate in the full-time summer internship component, beginning the month of June in the year the scholarship is awarded, and to continue with a paid part-time internship during the academic year in order to receive the scholarship funds.
- iv. The holder of the Scholarship is required to serve as a Campus Rep for GraceKennedy and the GraceKennedy Foundation while on the scholarship programme.
- v. The holder grants the Donor permission to use and publish any recorded material, photographs and testimonials of the holder for marketing, social media and print, TV and other media purposes.
- vi. The interview selection panel shall comprise of representatives from GraceKennedy Foundation, GK Financial Group and UWI/ UTECH/ NCU/EMC, one of whom shall be the Chair of the panel.

5.0 DIGITAL INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME

5.1 With respect to The GraceKennedy Digital Internship Programme, a component of the Scholarship, the following shall apply:

- i. The holder of the Scholarship will be provided with training opportunities and mentorship from GraceKennedy Financial Group.
- ii. GraceKennedy will provide a stipend to students participating in the full-time summer internship and for the part-time internship during the academic year.

- iii. The holder of the Scholarship is required to adhere to the rules and requirements of the internship.
- iv. GraceKennedy will provide the University with an assessment of the Intern's performance at the end of the Internship.