



**ZONTA**  
INTERNATIONAL  

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**DISTRICT 14**

## **Zonta D14 STEM Award**

2024 Application

# Zonta D14 STEM Award

## General Information

Women are still largely underrepresented in technology and other STEM (Science Technology Engineering Mathematics) fields. To create a world in which men and women have equal opportunities, women need to have an active role in technology and technological developments. Zonta District 14 is pleased to offer its Zonta D14 STEM Award to encourage women to pursue education, career opportunities and leadership roles in technology.

## The Award

The Zonta D14 STEM Award is awarded to women of any age, pursuing a degree in STEM. Zonta District 14 (D14) offers an Award in the amount of 2000€.

## Who is Eligible?

Women of any age and nationality, pursuing a degree in STEM at an accredited university/college/institute, who demonstrate outstanding academic record during their academic studies in STEM, are eligible to apply.

Students must be enrolled in at least the second year of an undergraduate program through the final year of a Master's program at the time the application is submitted to the local Zonta club. Applicants must still be in school at the time the awards are disbursed and must not graduate before December 2024.

Golden Z club members may apply.

Classified members and employees of Zonta International and Zonta International Foundation, and their family members, are not eligible to apply.

## How Do I Apply?

Complete an official application in English. Please note that only typed applications will be accepted and considered. All non-English documents must be translated into English. The following documents are to be submitted in the application package. Applications can be downloaded from the Zonta D14 website, (<https://zonta-district14.org/>) and must include:

1. Verification of Current Enrollment form or official statement from the university/college registrar.
2. List and include official detailed transcripts of grades or equivalent records from all universities, colleges, or institutions attended, including undergraduate institutions and degrees received. In programs where graduate transcripts are not provided as a matter of institutional policy, please provide a statement of that policy from the registrar or other school official. (Important note: please do not upload electronic transcripts, or links to electronic copies directly from the university, as the documents may have expiration dates to review and/or request for a password to access the file. Please scan official transcripts in color and save as a PDF and upload the saved copy. Please ensure all transcripts are legible.) Do not upload unofficial transcripts as they will not be accepted.
3. Two confidential recommendations from a faculty member in the major field of study. (Classified members and employees of Zonta International and Zonta Foundation for Women are not eligible to write recommendation letters for applicants.)
4. List scholarships and honors received, if any.
5. All non-English documents must be translated into English to be considered.
6. Information other than official transcripts and recommendations must be limited to the space provided; attachments, articles, pamphlets, books, curriculum vitae or other publications are not requested and will not be considered.

## Application Process

The Zonta D14 STEM Award program operates at the club and district level of Zonta district 14. Applications selected by Zonta clubs are sent to the respective Zonta district 14 governor. The Zonta D14 STEM Award Committee selects three recipients from the applicants.

## Timetable

Applications received by Zonta clubs

**Club recipient** is selected, and application is received by governor representative

**Official announcement of district recipients**

**(club decide)**

**15 August 2024**

**mid-October 2024**

2024

# DISTRICT 14 WOMEN IN STEM AWARD APPLICATION FORM



SEND APPLICATION AND DIRECT ANY QUESTIONS TO:

**Deadline:**

Zonta Club/e-Club of: \_\_\_\_\_  
District/Area: \_\_\_\_\_  
To find a club click: [Club Locator](#) \_\_\_\_\_  
Attention: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State: \_\_\_\_\_  
Province/Country: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last (Family) First Middle

Permanent mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

LinkedIn address: \_\_\_\_\_ Twitter handle: \_\_\_\_\_

Address during academic year (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace: \_\_\_\_\_ Country of citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_  
(mm/dd/yyyy) (city and country)

Name of university/college/institute currently attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Current year of study: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_ Major/field of study: \_\_\_\_\_

Plans for study under the Women in STEM Award: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree sought: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected graduation date (include month/year): \_\_\_\_\_

### Academic background

Your application must include official detailed transcripts of grades or equivalent records from all universities, colleges, or institutions attended, including undergraduate institutions. An explanation of the grading system must be included for each transcript. **Please add your current degree sought and expected graduation date (month/year).** Please ensure all transcripts are legible.) **Do not upload unofficial transcripts** as they will not be accepted.

In the tables below, please list the institutions you have attended:

University/College	(Year) to (Year)	Major Field	Degree	Date Degree Received/ Anticipated

### Employment history

From (month/year)	To (month/year)	Name of Employer	Address	Type of work or position held

### Scholarships, fellowships, honors received (please give dates):

(Year) to (Year)

### Other activities

(Please describe your volunteer, non-scholastic activities, memberships and cultural interests):

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### Recommendations

Please use the following fields to name and send a recommendation letter request to one faculty member in the major field of study and one to an organization supervisor, employer, volunteer supervisor or academic adviser. Note that a faculty member in the major field of study must be one of the referees. These recommendations are confidential, and you will not be able to view the completed responses. It is the responsibility of the applicant to make sure these recommendations have been turned in by the Zonta club's deadline.

Please list below those referees who will submit recommendations:

Name	Position	Title	College/university/institute/ company
1.			
2.			

## Declaration by Applicant

I certify that all of the information contained in my application form is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that I did not receive assistance in completing the essay portions of this application other than for translation into English for advancing to district level. I understand that, at the option of the Zonta club sponsoring my application or the Zonta district, I may be interviewed as a candidate for the Women in STEM Award. I consent to the electronic or hard copy publication of material in my application by Zonta District 14.

- I confirm that I have not applied to more than one Zonta Club.
- I confirm that I am not a family member (ancestor, descendant, adoptee, sibling, niece or cousin and those of their spouse or co-habiting partner) of a club member or individual with direct membership with Zonta International, and/or employee of Zonta International.

Signature (required)

Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Insert image of your signature or print, sign and scan this page.)

## Data Protection

Zonta District 14 take the security of your data seriously. We will never sell, trade or rent your personal information provided in this application to third parties. By submitting this application, you agree to the use of your data in accordance with the *Privacy Policy and Publicity Authorization Form* contained in the application documents (see page 8 of the application).

(Please check the appropriate items.)

How did you learn of the Women in STEM Award?

Checklist to be completed by applicant

Social media	<input type="checkbox"/>	Official detailed transcripts (from all universities/colleges/institutions attended)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Department/teacher	<input type="checkbox"/>	Translated transcripts in English (from all universities/colleges/institutions attended)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Directory of grants at university financial aid office	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recommendations (2)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Directory of grants not at university (e.g., public libraries)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recommendation Waiver Form	<input type="checkbox"/>
Website (name):		Verification of Current Enrollment Form	<input type="checkbox"/>
Previous recipient (name):		Signatures	<input type="checkbox"/>
Zonta club name:		Other:	

## Professional information and goals

(Please type essay in English.)

In 500 words or less, please describe your academic and/or professional goals, the relevance of your program, how you have demonstrated initiative, ambition and commitment to pursuing a career in STEM, and how the Zonta District 14 Women in STEM Award will assist you in reaching your goals. (Essays cannot exceed 500 words to be considered.) Please provide the word count at the end of your answer.



**Zonta District 14 Recommendation for the Women in STEM Award**

Please return this form by: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's signature is required (Insert image of your signature or print, sign and scan this page.)

**Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Last (Family) Name First Middle

**Recommendation from:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Position/Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
College/university/institute/employer

The applicant above has applied for a Zonta District 14 Women in STEM Award. Zonta District 14 greatly values and appreciates your opinion. Please discuss the applicant's accomplishments; current academic program and/or work experience; intellectual independence; capacity for analytical thinking; ability to organize and express ideas clearly; creativity; motivation; and potential for learning and succeeding in a STEM-related program. You may write your recommendation letter on letterhead of your choice, but you must sign and submit the letter with this form.

How well do you know the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

Please rate the applicant with respect to your experience with other students/employees in this field/position:

- Exceptional  
Top 5%
- Very Good  
Next 10%
- Good  
Next 15%
- Average  
Next 30%
- Below Average  
Last 40%
- Insufficient opportunity to  
observe

\_\_\_\_\_  
Referee's signature is required (Insert image of your signature or print, sign and scan this page) Date

Return form to Zonta Club of:		Mailing Address:	
City:		State/Province:	
Postal Code:		Country:	
Fax:		Email Address:	





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Postal Code:		Country:	
Fax:		Email Address:	



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**Verification of Current Enrollment  
Form Women in STEM Award**

I certify that \_\_\_\_\_ is currently in  
(Name)

\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
(department) (university/college)

and is enrolled in a \_\_\_\_\_ Degree.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of registrar) (Date) (Expected graduation date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Official University/College Stamp)



## Zonta District 14 Women in STEM Award Program Privacy Policy and Publicity Authorization

Zonta District 14 is committed to honoring the privacy and wishes of all of our Women in STEM Award recipients at all times. In order to do this, please read the following information carefully and indicate your agreement as appropriate.

1. Most data collected by Zonta District 14 is used only to help Zonta better serve its Award recipients. It is our general policy to collect and store only personal information that our recipients knowingly provide. Zonta does not sell, trade, or rent your personally identifying information to third parties. Except as described in paragraph two, we take reasonable measures not to disclose personally identifying information about you.

I have read the above paragraph and agree to the Terms and Conditions therein.

2. From time to time, Zonta District 14 conducts various marketing activities to promote the Women in STEM Award Program. Zonta District 14 retains the right to use your name, photograph and biographical information to promote the Women in STEM Award in various promotional materials, including the website.

I have read the above paragraph and agree to the Terms and Conditions therein.

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Applicant's signature is required (Insert image of your signature or print, sign and scan this page.)

Date

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Please print your name