

DEFINING HER FUTURE

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Defining Her Future Scholarship Application

The Cal Poly Women in Business Association was founded with the purpose of empowering, serving, and connecting young women from all across campus. The organization works actively to support women in advancing the skills and training they need to successfully position themselves in highly industries via relevant programming and proactive advocacy, as well as peer and professional mentorship. To commemorate the organization's debut Spring Conference, Women in Business invites women across campus to apply for the Defining her Future Scholarship.

Applicants will have the opportunity to receive up to \$500 in scholarship funds. The applications will be reviewed by the Cal Poly Women in Business Scholarship Committee and the scholarship recipients will be recognized at the Defining Her Future Women In Leadership Conference in the PAC Pavilion on April 22.

Application Guidelines:

- Include your name, year, major and contact information
 - Choose one of the following prompts and create a well written essay
 - The essay should allude to your experiences as a leader and provide your personal insights about issues surrounding women in the workforce today
 - The essay should not exceed 2 pages in length, using Times New Roman or Helvetica 12 pt. font, double spaced. Please provide a title for your essay
 - The application is open to women of all majors
1. **Sheryl Sandberg, author of *Lean In* and a major proponent for women in the workforce, once said "Fitting in is not helping us." Interpret what Sandberg meant when she said this; do you agree with her statement? If so, provide insight on what you think should be done instead of "fitting in;" If not, provide insight as to what the solution should be; *should* we try to fit in, and if so, to what extent?**
 2. **What, if anything, do you believe is holding women back in the workforce today? How does this relate to what might be preventing you from reaching your personal and professional goals?**

Please submit your application and any questions by 11:59 p.m. on April 10, 2016 to wibscholarship@gmail.com

