ATA Membership Diversity Award

Eligibility Requirements, Criteria, and Documentation

Applications accepted until all awards are made.
Only a limited number of awards are available each year.

Thanks to a generous gift from Lucy Gunderson, CT, the American Foundation for Translation and Interpretation (AFTI) is pleased to offer a limited number of **fully-paid up ATA memberships** each year to individuals joining ATA for the first time who are Black, indigenous, or people of color. Please note the following eligibility requirements and guidelines:

Eligibility. To qualify for the award, an applicant must fulfill *all* of the following requirements:

- Be an aspiring or active professional translator or interpreter OR a student in a translation or interpreting training program
- Self-identify as a member of the Black, indigenous, and people of color community
- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- Have a total annual income of less than $50,000
- Have never been a member of ATA

Selection: At least one award per year must go to a U.S. citizen by birth. Each year, individuals receiving awards should be working in a variety of language pairs to distribute the award across as many language pairs as possible. The selection committee will give preference to students and newcomers to the translation and interpretation profession (including people changing careers) and select awardees based on their answers to the essay questions on the application form.

Documentation: Please provide all of the following **as PDF files**:

- Your current resume/CV
- The first page of your prior-year tax return showing total annual income (black out your SSN)
- Documentation of student status, if applicable
- Proof of citizenship or permanent residence
- This application form, fully filled out with signed affirmation "I affirm that I am not primarily white or of Western European descent"
- No photo is required at application, but a photo will be required from winners for the *ATA Chronicle*, social media, etc.

Send materials by email to AFTI-Scholarship@atanet.org at any time.

Recipients will be notified as soon as practical.

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Application Form

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Full Name:	
Mailing Address:	
Phone:	
Email Address:	
Language pair(s) you work in:	
Please indicate citizenship status:	U.S. citizen ☐ by birth ☐ naturalized ☐ permanent resident
Please indicate your T&I status:	☐ Professional translator or interpreter ☐ Student in a translation and/or interpreting training program
If student, name of college or university:	
If student, degree or certificate name[1]	
If student, expected program completion date:	
Was your total annual income in the past year less than $50,000?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Have you ever been a member of the American Translators Association (ATA)?	☐ Yes ☐ No

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[1] For example, B.A. in Translation, Certificate in Interpreting Studies, M.A. in Translation Project Management

Please answer the following questions <u>in the space provided</u> (max. 2000 characters):

1. Why do you want to join the American Translators Association (ATA)?

2. How will you make the best use of this membership?

American Foundation for Translation and Interpretation

I hereby apply for an ATA Membership Diversity Award. I affirm by checkmark and my signature that:

- ☐ I am a professional translator or interpreter OR a student in a translation or interpreting training program
- ☐ I am a member of the Black, indigenous, and people of color community.
- ☐ I am not primarily white or of Western European descent
- ☐ I am a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.
- ☐ I have a total annual income of less than $50,000
- ☐ I have never been a member of ATA
- ☐ The statements on this form are accurate and complete.

In addition to this application form, I have included PDF documents as follows:

- ☐ My current resume/CV
- ☐ The first page of my prior-year tax return showing total annual income (with SSN blacked out)
- ☐ Documentation of student status, if applicable
- ☐ Proof of citizenship or permanent residence

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Signature (can be typed)

_____
Date