Bluegrass Community & Technical College challenges students to excel academically and strives to provide scholarship opportunities for those who achieve academic excellence. This application is exclusively for BCTC Science Excel Scholarship recipients seeking further scholarship opportunities in order to continue their college education at a four-year institution.

**Science Excel Baccalaureate Bridge Scholarship Information**

Science Excel Baccalaureate Bridge Scholarships are awarded for one academic semester (typically Fall) based on academic talent and performance while attending BCTC. Based on financial need as determined by FAFSA, the amount of the award may be up to $4,250.00 per one time award.

A scholarship recipient receiving other forms of financial aid may have awards adjusted to prevent overawards. In the event a recipient should withdraw from their baccalaureate institution, the refund will be returned to the scholarship fund according to regular refund policies.

Scholarship recipients must be citizens of the United States, nationals of the United States (as defined in section 101(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act), aliens admitted as refugees under section 207 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, or aliens lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence.

**Application Deadline**

The Priority Deadline for submitting the Scholarship Application is April 30, 2009. Students who apply after the priority deadline will be considered as alternates for scholarships declined after initial awards are made.

**Award Notification**

Notification of awards will be made once the Science Excel Scholarship Committee reviews the applicants and submits the nominees to the BCTC scholarship committee and the college President. The college will then send out official notification to selected applicants with a Confirmation Form. Students who accept the offered scholarships must return the Confirmation Form within three weeks. Award notifications are typically mailed during the summer.

The selected students will be required to submit an official copy of their course schedule at the baccalaureate institution to both the BCTC Financial Aid Office and the Science Excel Scholarship Committee. Once the Financial Aid Office has verified eligibility with the Science Excel committee, a check for the first semester’s scholarship funds will be made payable to the baccalaureate institution to be included in the student’s financial aid package.

**Completing the Application**

Students selected to receive Science Excel Baccalaureate Bridge scholarship awards will be expected to write a thank you letter to the Science Excel Project Team.

Students must apply and be accepted to a four-year institution to apply for the Science Excel Baccalaureate Bridge Scholarship.
Name: ____________________________  SSN: ____________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________

Street

City  State  Zip  County

Telephone: ____________________________

E-Mail Address: ______________________________________________________

Date of Graduation From BCTC: ____________________________

Final BCTC GPA: ____________________________

Name/Address of Baccalaureate Institution: ____________________________

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Intended/Declared Major: ____________________________________________

ESSAY REQUIREMENT: Each applicant must submit an original essay with this application. The essay should be at least one typed page in length on the following topic:

Write an essay explaining how the Science Excel Program has impacted your studies while attending BCTC. In addition, discuss how the Baccalaureate Bridge Scholarship might enable you to pursue a career in a Science, Technology, Engineering, and/or Math related field.

All applicants please attach an additional page listing your campus and community involvement including civic, social, religious and other.

_BCTC is an equal opportunity employer and education institution._
Student Release Information:

I hereby verify that all the information provided on this application is accurate. If you have graduated from BCTC this signature gives permission for the Scholarship Committee to review any available academic provided. If selected as a scholarship recipient I hereby give my permission for BCTC and/or the Scholarship Selection Committee to publicly announce my award.

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Signature                      Date

Please return the completed application by April 30, 2009. Applications submitted without the required transcripts will not be considered.

Return application to:        Bluegrass Community & Technical College
   Tracy Knowles
   234H Oswald Building
   470 Cooper Dr.
   Lexington, KY 40506
   859-246-6460

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Scholarship Resources

Completing this application is the beginning of the scholarship process. Use the information provided on this page to help you locate other scholarship opportunities.

www.bluegrass.kctcs.edu
Visit our website to review other scholarship opportunities at Bluegrass Community and Technical College.

www.fafsa.ed.gov
The Free Application for Federal Student Aid is required for many scholarship applications and may also qualify the student for many other types of financial assistance such as grants, work study and student loans.

BCTC does not discriminate based on race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding non-discrimination policies: Marilyn Childre, 470 Cooper Drive, Lexington KY 40506, phone: 859-246-6374