

# Continuing Education Scholarship Application: Submission #126

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## Submission information

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<b>Name on Empire Electric Account</b>	Peter S Eschallier
<b>Relationship to Empire Electric Account Member</b>	Father
<b>Year You Recieved an Empire Electric Scholarship</b>	2023
<b>Year You Graduated High School</b>	2023
<b>Name and address of the institution you are attending</b>	University of Denver 2199 S University Blvd Denver, Colorado. 80210 United States
<b>Field of Study</b>	International Studies and German
<b>Other Children in Your Family</b>	•
<b>Other Financial Aid</b>	DU Chancellor Scholarship - Receiving Mancos Masonic Lodge Scholarship - Receiving Gilman Scholarship - Receiving Mancos Valley Resources - Applied
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<b>List Your School and Community Honors and Activities</b>	Hornbeck Scholars List (for a 4.0 GPA) - Fall 2023, Winter 2024, Spring 2024, Fall 2024, Winter 2025 Quarters Certificate of Excellence in German - June 2025 DU German Club (Deutschklub) President - 2024-Present DU Club Curling Member - 2023-Present

My education has always been incredibly important to me and this scholarship has been a huge help in allowing me to pursue my academic passions and career goals. I currently study at the University of Denver with a double major in International Studies and Languages, Literatures, and Cultures with a concentration in German.

The opportunity to pursue two of my interests simultaneously through a double major has been amazing and I feel that focusing on both fields has enriched my education significantly. While they are very different, I feel that studying a language has increased my understanding of global politics in a way that would otherwise be impossible. Similarly I feel that understanding international relations has furthered my understanding of German culture and made me a more well rounded global citizen.

**Essay**

I am also incredibly excited about the chance to improve my fluency in German and deepen my understanding of global politics by studying abroad at a language immersion program in Germany in the fall semester. It is a once in a lifetime opportunity, and I am grateful for this scholarship's role in making it possible.

I am also pursuing a minor in socio-legal studies, which has helped me explore my interests in political science, sociology, and other social sciences thanks to the program's interdisciplinary nature. My interest in these areas is one of the reasons I currently plan to pursue a law degree after graduation. I think this field would allow me to continue pursuing my academic interests while also allowing me to make a difference in issues I care about like social justice and human rights.

With my younger brother entering college in the coming year, this scholarship would be an enormous help to my family, who will now have two children attending college. Particularly as I am considering graduate school, receiving this support would be a significant help in allowing me to continue my education and pursue my career goals.

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**Submission Date**

2025-06-15

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**Applicant's Signature**



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TRANSFER CREDIT ACCEPTED BY THE INSTITUTION:

Institution Information continued:

09/21-05/22 Pueblo Community College Winter Quarter 2025  
Ehrs: 25.50 GPA-Hrs: 0.00 QPts: 0.00 GPA: 0.00 GERM 2002 Intermediate German 4.00 A 16.00  
INTS 2430 History of the Middle East 4.00 A 16.00

09/21-05/23 Fort Lewis College  
Ehrs: 45.00 GPA-Hrs: 0.00 QPts: 0.00 GPA: 0.00 INTS 2490 Introduction to Global Health 4.00 A 16.00  
INTZ 2501 Exploring Global Citizenship 2.00 A 8.00  
PLSC 2100 Political Psychology 4.00 A 16.00

INSTITUTION CREDIT:

Autumn Quarter 2023  
FSEM 1111 First Year Seminar 4.00 A 16.00  
GEOG 1264 Global Environmental Change I 4.00 A 16.00  
Ehrs: 18.00 GPA-Hrs: 18.00 QPts: 72.00 GPA: 4.00

Honors  
HIST 1320 European Culture in World Wars 4.00 A 16.00  
INTS 1500 Contemporary Issues Global Economy 4.00 A 16.00  
Ehrs: 16.00 GPA-Hrs: 16.00 QPts: 64.00 GPA: 4.00  
Dean's List

Winter Quarter 2024  
GEOG 1265 Global Environmental Change II 4.00 A 16.00  
Honors  
GERM 1002 Elementary German 4.00 A 16.00  
INTS 1700 Intro International Politics 4.00 A 16.00  
PLSC 1810 Introduction to Law & Society 4.00 A 16.00  
Ehrs: 16.00 GPA-Hrs: 16.00 QPts: 64.00 GPA: 4.00  
Dean's List

Spring Quarter 2024  
GERM 1003 Elementary German 4.00 A 16.00  
INTS 2235 Gender and Intl Relations 4.00 A 16.00  
INTS 2975 Global Issues Research Project 4.00 A 16.00  
MATH 1150 Foundations Seminar 4.00 A 16.00  
Ehrs: 16.00 GPA-Hrs: 16.00 QPts: 64.00 GPA: 4.00  
Dean's List

Autumn Quarter 2024  
GERM 2001 Intermediate German 4.00 A 16.00  
INTS 2715 Intro to Comparative Politics 4.00 A 16.00  
PLSC 2755 Legal Actors and Institutions 4.00 A 16.00  
SOC 2250 Criminology 4.00 A 16.00  
Ehrs: 16.00 GPA-Hrs: 16.00 QPts: 64.00 GPA: 4.00  
Dean's List

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Spring Quarter 2025  
IN PROGRESS WORK  
GERM 2005 Reading and Conversation 4.00 IN PROGRESS  
GERM 2800 Advanced German Grammar 4.00 IN PROGRESS  
HONS 2400 Honors Seminar 2.00 IN PROGRESS  
INTS 2605 Nuclear Weapons Int'l Security 4.00 IN PROGRESS  
ITAL 2201 Italy: Modern History, Culture 4.00 IN PROGRESS  
In Progress Credits 18.00  
Autumn Quarter 2025  
IN PROGRESS WORK  
ABRD 9022 Study Abroad-Europe 16.00 IN PROGRESS  
In Progress Credits 16.00

\*\*\*\*\* TRANSCRIPT TOTALS \*\*\*\*\*  
Earned Hrs GPA Hrs Points GPA  
TOTAL INSTITUTION 82.00 82.00 328.00 4.00  
TOTAL TRANSFER 70.50 0.00 0.00 0.00  
OVERALL 152.50 82.00 328.00 4.00  
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Dennis Maurice Becker, Registrar

## EXPLANATION OF TRANSCRIPT

### GRADING SYSTEMS

#### LETTER GRADING SYSTEM

**COLLEGE OF LAW, BEGINNING FALL 1990**

**OTHER PROGRAMS, BEGINNING FALL 1992**

**GRADUATE TAX PROGRAM, ADOPTED FALL 2015**

GRADE	DEFINITION	GRADE POINTS	GRADE	DEFINITION	GRADE POINTS
A	Excellent	4.0	P	Passing	0
A-		3.7	I	Incomplete	0
B+		3.3	W	Withdrawn	0
B	Good	3.0	NC	No Credit	0
B-		2.7	WC	Without Credit	0
C+		2.3	W/WP	Withdrawn Without Prejudice	0
C	Satisfactory	2.0	IP	In Progress or Grade Not Reported	0
C-		1.7	NR	Grade Not Reported	0
D+		1.3	NP	No Pass	0
D	Passing	1.0			
D-		0.7			
F	Failing	0			

#### NUMERIC GRADING SYSTEM

**COLLEGE OF LAW, PRIOR TO FALL 1990**

**GRADUATE TAX PROGRAM, PRIOR TO FALL 2015**

GRADE	DEFINITION	GRADE POINTS	GRADE	DEFINITION	GRADE POINTS
85-100	A	85-100	W/WP	Withdrawn Without Prejudice	0
77-84	B	77-84	NR	Grade Not Reported	0
68-76	C	68-76	IP	In Progress or Grade Not Reported	0
60-67	D	60-67	NC	No Credit	0
45-59	F	45-59	I	Incomplete	0
P	Passing	0			
F	Failing	0			

#### GRADING SYSTEM BEGINNING FALL 1965

GRADE	DEFINITION	GRADE POINTS	GRADE	DEFINITION	GRADE POINTS
A	Excellent	4.0	W, WP**	Withdrawn Without Prejudice	0
B	Good	3.0	NC	No Credit	0
C	Satisfactory	2.0	WF*	Withdrawn Failing	0
D	Passing	1.0	I	Incomplete	0
F	Failing	0.0			
P	Passing	0.0			

\*Discontinued 1984

\*\*Discontinued 1987

#### GOOD STANDING

All students are considered in good standing unless stated otherwise on the transcript.

#### REPEATED COURSES

Repeated courses are denoted under the "R" column. "I" indicates a repeated course is included in earned hours and GPA calculations; "A" indicates a repeated course is included in GPA calculations but excluded from earned hours; "E" indicates that a repeated course is excluded from earned hours and GPA calculations.

### SUBJECT CODES

For a detailed explanation of the subject codes on this transcript please visit: <http://www.du.edu/registrar/course/coursecode.html>.

### COURSE NUMBERING

#### Prior to September 1985

1-99	Elementary	0001-0999	Elementary
100-199	Intermediate	1000-1999	Intermediate
200-299	Advanced	2000-2999	Advanced
300-399	Advanced and Graduate	3000-3999	Advanced and Graduate
400 or Over	Graduate	4000-5999	Graduate

#### Beginning September 1985

#### Beginning Summer 2002

0001-0999	Pre-collegiate, Remedial, or Continuing Education Unit Courses
1000-1999	Undergraduate Courses (Lower Division)
2000-2999	Advanced Undergraduate Courses (Upper Division)
3000-3999	Advanced Undergraduate and Graduate Courses (Combined)
4000 or Over	Graduate Courses

### COURSES TAKEN AT OTHER INSTITUTIONS

Grades for courses taken at other institutions are marked with an asterisk and are not calculated into the grade point average.

### ACADEMIC CALENDAR

With the exception of the College of Law, the academic calendar used is the quarter. The quarter is generally ten weeks exclusive of the final examination period. In fall 1990, the College of Law adopted a semester calendar. Study abroad, distance learning, interterm and other special courses vary in length but are reported in quarter hours (or semester hours for the College of Law).

### LENGTH OF DEGREE PROGRAMS

The number of credit hours required for a degree is dependent on program requirements. A baccalaureate requires a minimum of 180 quarter hours; a master 45 and a doctorate 90-135 quarter hours beyond the bachelor's degree. 90 semester hours are required for a juris doctor degree.

### SECONDARY MAJOR

A second major outside the primary degree program.

### ACCREDITATION

The University of Denver is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools as a degree-granting institution at the baccalaureate, graduate, professional, and doctoral levels.

### TRANSCRIPT AUTHENTICITY

A transcript is official when each page bears the preprinted University seal and includes the signature and title of the issuing authority. The transcript form is red and incorporates a background design of the University's seal.

### RELEASE OF INFORMATION

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### RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT PROGRAM

Prior to fall 2007, graduate credit taken at the Iliff School of Theology may be reflected on this transcript under the subject code ILIF. Effective fall 2007, the University of Denver assumed the administrative operations of the Joint PhD program with the Iliff School of Theology. All graduate credit taken at Iliff thereafter is reflected on this transcript under the subject code THEO or RLG. Complete transcripts for students who graduated from the Joint PhD program prior to fall 2007 are available from the Iliff School of Theology.

Copy of Transcript

June 7, 2025

To,  
Members of the Selection Committee  
Empire Electric Scholarship.

I am delighted to write this letter of recommendation for Sophie Eschallier who is applying for the Empire Electric Scholarship. I met Sophie in the Spring quarter of 2025 when she enrolled in my course ‘INTS 2605: Nuclear Weapons in International Security’ at the Josef Korbel School of International Studies in the University of Denver. Sophie is on her way to earning the highest grade in the class for her coursework. Sophie is pursuing a highly impressive *double major* in International Studies and Languages, Literatures, and Cultures with a concentration in German at the University of Denver. She has exactly the sort of enthusiasm, professionalism, commitment, and intellectual curiosity, which is necessary to excel in this scholarship program.

My confidence in Sophie’s ability to excel in the program is based on her excellent performance in the course, and her participation in class. The purpose of INTS 2605 was threefold: i. introduce students to the history of nuclear weapons, theories of nuclear deterrence, crises, non-proliferation, and disarmament, ii. assess if the international nuclear non-proliferation regime has been successful in attempting to spread nuclear weapons and iii. train students to pay attention to theoretical debates on nuclear politics and how they speak to policy considerations and assess these arguments using historical empirical evidence. Sophie’s efforts at all these goals were laudable. In her engagements with her peers, she provided sharp feedback, and also displayed a willingness to learn from them.

Sophie’s mid-term assignment – a national security memo to President Olaf Scholz of Germany on how to respond to Russia’s threats to Europe and Germany was excellently written and displayed a skillful analysis of current affairs and nuclear policy. Her final paper is on the Euromissiles Crisis and disarmament/anti-nuclear weapons movements in Germany. Sophie’s written assignments demonstrate her ability to research historical events using primary sources, grasp the challenging material provided in class, and produce mature analysis of the implications of global events for nuclear and national security policy. She has received the highest grade in all her assignments in this class. I am very confident that Sophie will excel in all her academic endeavors and I hope that this this scholarship helps her on this successful academic journey.

In her academic work, as well as her extracurricular activities, Sophie has demonstrated active engagement and interest in both the local and international. As the President of the University of Denver’s German Language and Culture Club she has demonstrated leadership and administrative qualities that make her stand out as a student at the University. Sophie was also the co-founder of a societal history project at the Mancos Cedar Grove Cemetery. Interviewing local residents and creating a historical database for societal history is an exceptional service to one’s community. Sophie’s engagement in that work is very laudable.



**Josef Korbel School  
of International Studies**

UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

Sophie is about to go to study abroad at a language immersion program in Germany in the fall semester. This experience will no doubt broaden her horizons and provide her with the international experience that will enrich her both personally and professionally. She is also pursuing a minor in socio-legal studies and plans to pursue a law degree after graduation. I have no doubt that she will succeed in all her academic and professional endeavors.

In sum, I would strongly recommend that Sophie receive the Empire Electric Scholarship. I am confident that the selection committee will be proud of her achievements and lucky to have her as a part of the alumni of the program.

Please feel free to contact me at [debak.das@du.edu](mailto:debak.das@du.edu) if you would like any additional information about Sophie or her application.

Sincerely,

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