



# *Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Pageant 2015*

Greetings!

By picking up this packet of forms, you have taken the first step towards becoming Miss Asian UCO 2015-16. We have done our best to make sure this process is as easy as possible, but please do not hesitate to let us know if you have any questions.

**We are requesting that all completed applications be turned in no later than FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23<sup>rd</sup> by 5:00 pm directly to the Office of Diversity and Inclusion, Nigh University Center, 2nd Floor, Room 211.** Please make sure that you have read through all the documents before submitting your application.

We are excited that you have decided to take the first step towards participating in the pageant this year and we look forward to working with you. The pageant committee wants to make sure this experience is nothing but positive and fun for you and your family. If you have any questions, please, call Joshua Lim at (405) 974-3111 or via email at [jlim5@uco.edu](mailto:jlim5@uco.edu). She will gladly assist you and point you in the right direction.

All the best,  
*Miss Asian UCO Scholarship*  
Pageant Committee

# *Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Pageant*

## Candidate Information

### **General**

The Miss Asian University of Central Oklahoma Scholarship Pageant is an annual event jointly sponsored by the Division of Student Affairs, the Office of Diversity and Inclusion and the Asian American Student Association, held each year in the fall semester.

### **Rationale**

Prior to the coming of the Doctrine of Equal Opportunity without regard to race, color, or creed; established local, state, and national beauty pageants were closed to diverse population participation. To overcome this restriction, minority pageants were organized on a smaller scale, but have now attained national significance. Established pageants are now open to diverse populations, however; it is agreed that the need still remains to continue to host pageants that celebrate the diverse culture, talents, history and backgrounds of our ever-growing multicultural society.

### **Objective**

To honor and recognize women for their academic achievement, community involvement, talent, and knowledge of Asian heritage and current events by providing an opportunity for leadership development and enhancement throughout their college campus and cultural community. To provide an avenue which will unify students for support of a common cause.

## Eligibility

### **Eligibility Requirements for Contestants and Queen**

1. Applicants must be full-time UCO students and maintain a minimum, overall 2.0 GPA.
2. An eligible student must be between the ages of 18 and 27
3. Other than minor traffic violations, an applicant/contestant must not have ever been convicted for any type of civil or criminal offense.

## Rehearsals

### **Contestant Rules Relating to Rehearsals**

1. Contestants are required to fully adhere to the attendance policy, code of ethics, and duties contract regarding all rehearsal requirements.
2. Contestants may not carry concealed weapons, such as knives or guns for any reason (Campus Police, upon request, provide escort services).
3. Individuals may use the private services of a coach, however; only UCO faculty, designated staff and committee members may attend rehearsals. All other guests will be prohibited from attendance.

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## Application for Candidacy

The information contained on this sheet is confidential and for the use of the Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Pageant and its authorized committees only. **Please type or use blue or black ink.**

### *Personal Data and Contact Information*

Your Full Legal Name: \_

Name you would like to be called: \_

Banner ID #\_

Date of Birth\_\_

Email : \_

Pageant Talent: \_

### **Your School/Current Address:**

Street: \_

City, State, Zip\_

Country (if applicable)\_

Pageant Platform:

Telephone # where you can be reached ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

School Classification (i.e., freshman, junior)

Please indicated the time you are available for rehearsals. All rehearsals start after 5:00 p.m. and will last for approximately two hours.

	Date	Available Rehearsal Time
	Monday	
	Tuesday	
	Wednesday	
	Thursday	
	Friday	

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## *Disclaimer*

Upon the occurrence of a contestant not competing in the Miss Asian UCO Scholarship pageant, any and all expenses incurred by the University of Central Oklahoma shall be reimbursed to the University of Central Oklahoma within two weeks of withdrawal. I understand this incurred expense can and will be charged to my bursar account if not paid in full within 14 business days after withdrawing from the pageant. As a contestant, I understand to remain in good standing with the Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Pageant, I must sell a minimum of \$250.00 worth of ads for the souvenir pageant program book.

Print Name: \_

Signature: \_

Date: \_

## *More About Ad Sales*

Pageant productions are not funded on will power alone. In order to adequately fund the pageant, we must request that contestants sell advertisement for our souvenir program book. These funds go toward production costs such as: opening number outfits, the cost of the program book, stage decorations, music, food, the winner's gift, etc. Therefore, it is important that each of you make an effort to sell at least the minimum of \$250 in ads and try to surpass this amount as ladies have successfully done in the past.

Additionally, your ads in the program book are a way for your co-workers, friends, and family to congratulate you and wish you luck in the pageant. Business owners receive inexpensive advertisement for their products and services. Also, ad sales give these individuals and businesses an opportunity to cheer on their favorite contestant, you! Contestants, keep in mind that we do offer an award for ad sales, so do your best!

# *Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Pageant Duties and Awards*

## **Duties and Obligations of Miss Asian UCO**

1. Miss Asian UCO is a representative of the University of Central Oklahoma and must conduct herself as such. If the Miss Asian UCO Board determines that the reigning Miss Asian UCO has conducted herself in a manner that brings discredit to her, and/or the University, her title of Miss Asian UCO will be relinquished.
2. Miss Asian UCO will reign for the period of one year and will relinquish her crown at the next scheduled Miss Asian University of Central Oklahoma Scholarship Pageant.
3. The reigning Miss Asian UCO will remain a full-time student as well as an active leader on campus, including remaining a participating member of Asian American Student Association throughout the duration of her reign. Miss Asian UCO will be ready, able, and willing to participate in all activities requested by the University of Central Oklahoma. Miss Asian UCO must be available for all personal appearances, speaking engagements and all commitments made on behalf of the Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Pageant.
4. Miss Asian UCO understands that she must attend all University pageants (Miss Black, Miss Latina and Miss UCO) as well as participate in the Asian Moon Festival, Homecoming Parade, and other cultural awareness events per instructed by the pageant advisor.
5. Miss Asian UCO will be expected to honor all of her obligations except for in the event of death in the immediate family, personal illness, serious injury, or hospitalization, only proper documentation will be necessary at such event. If unable to fulfill her duties, it will be necessary to forfeit her crown/title.
6. Should unforeseen circumstances force the reigning Miss Asian UCO to relinquish her title prior to the end of her reign, the title and all scholarships will be awarded to the first or second runner-up, respectively in that order.

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## **Awards and Prizes**

1. **Miss Asian University of Central Oklahoma** is awarded a tuition waiver for an academic year of \$1600 to be divided at \$800 per semester.
2. The new Miss Asian UCO will also receive prizes and awards courtesy of the Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Pageant.
3. **1st runner-up** scholarship is based of the number of contestants for the 2015 and 2016 academic year.
4. **2nd runner-up** scholarship is based of the number of contestants for the 2015 and 2016 academic year.
5. The **People's Choice Award** will be awarded to the one contestant with the highest number of votes from the audience in the talent category.
6. The **Talent Award** will be awarded to one contestant based on the total highest score awarded from the panel of judges in the talent category.
7. The **Future Businesswoman Award** will be awarded to the one contestant that sells the most advertisement in the souvenir program book.
8. The **Jenny Statler Award** is awarded to the one contestant that the director determines has exhibited confidence, punctuality, accountability, congeniality, and cooperation. This award is subject to the director's discretion.
9. The **Photogenic Award** will be determined by the Miss Asian UCO Pageant Committee and will be awarded to the one contestant whose photo the committee determines to be most photogenic.
10. **Scholarship recipients must have at least a 2.0 GPA at the time the scholarship is granted and maintain at least a 2.0 GPA during subsequent semesters.**
11. **Scholarship recipients must be enrolled full time at the time the scholarship is granted and maintain at full time status during the subsequent semesters.**
12. **Each contestant** will receive a pageant participation gift/award.

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## *Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Pageant Attendance Policy*

I understand that my full participation is necessary at all times, causing my timeliness and attendance to be of the utmost importance. I fully understand that my absence or tardiness conflicts with the efficiency of pageant rehearsals.

I fully understand that my presence and participation directly affects the visual aspects of the pageant production and that my absence has the potential to negatively affect my fellow contestants as well as rehearsal productivity.

In the spirit of fairness and cooperation, we are requesting that all rehearsals be closed to all individuals not on the pageant committee or pageant staff.

I fully understand that I will need to be on time to all rehearsals and meetings to effectively prepare myself for the pageant. I will arrive at every rehearsal on time, fully prepared to participate, listen, respond, and show respect to the Pageant Choreographer and Pageant Director at all times.

I will openly, honestly, clearly communicate with the Pageant Committee if an event arises where I will need to be absent or tardy.

I fully understand that excessive absences of three or more, excused or unexcused may result in my disqualification from the pageant.

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Contestant Signature

Date

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## *Miss Asian University of Central Oklahoma Description of Duties and Contract Agreement*

- **Miss Asian UCO** must be willing to participate in all relevant University functions, such as but not limited to the Asian Moon Festival, Homecoming, Diversity Week, and the Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Pageant 2015.
- **Miss Asian UCO** must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0.
- **Miss Asian UCO** must be enrolled full time and maintain full time status.
- **Miss Asian UCO** must be available for all local pageants including the Miss Black, Miss Hispanic and Miss UCO pageants. and be present for all personal appearances, speaking engagements and commitments made on behalf of the Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Pageant Board and the Asian Student Association.
- **Miss Asian UCO** must conduct herself in a respectable and virtuous manner at all times, keeping in mind that she is not only representing herself, but also her community and the University of Central Oklahoma.
- **Miss Asian UCO** must be available to communicate and coordinate with the assistance of the Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Board concerning her functions and duties regarding the 2015 Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Pageant.





# *Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Pageant*

<i>Pageant Agreement</i>
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I have read, fully understand, and meet all of the eligibility requirements for entering the Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Pageant. Endorsing my signature on this application contracts me to abide by the rules of the Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Pageant and verifies that all information on this application is true to the best of my knowledge. In the event that I am crowned Miss Asian University of Central Oklahoma, I understand that I will be under the exclusive and personal management of the Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Pageant Staff/Committee and cannot use the services of a personal agent for promotional services.

The Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Pageant Committee and the Office of Multicultural Student Services has my permission to verify any and all information on this application. I understand that if anything is brought to my attention that will bring discredit to myself, and/or the University, I will be obligated to withdraw from the competition and/or relinquish my title if I am crowned Miss Asian University of Central Oklahoma.

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Applicant's Signature

Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature (if under 18)

Date

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UCO Office of Diversity and Inclusion

Date

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Miss Asian UCO Scholarship Pageant Director

Date

**Please return completed application by Thursday, October 2 to:  
UCO Office of Diversity and Inclusion  
University Center, Room 211  
(405) 974-3588**