

# **DIVERSITY & MULTICULTURALISM**

## **Dr. William and Mrs. Marion Berge Scholarship (Diversity)**

Eligibility- For African-American students who are currently enrolled as a full-time sophomore, junior or senior in a baccalaureate degree program who maintain a minimum cumulative 3.0 GPA and demonstrate financial need via the FAFSA.

Benefit- Annual scholarship based on available funds.

Conditions- May be renewed if a cumulative 3.0 GPA is maintained. Applicants are encouraged to be active with the ECU Cultural Center (110 Powell Bldg.) and the Minority Leadership Institute.

## **Michelle Rene Cole Scholarship (Diversity & Multiculturalism)**

Eligibility- For one male & one female full-time freshman. African-American, Asian or Pacific Islander, Hispanic, or Alaskan Native students who are Kentucky high school graduates with a minimum 3.0 high school GPA and demonstrates financial need via the FAFSA.

Benefit- Annual scholarship for book expenses up to \$1,000 per year. Any remaining amount may be applied to student account.

Conditions- May be renewed if enrolled full-time in a degree program and a cumulative 3.0 GPA is maintained. Scholarship is limited to a maximum of eight academic terms (fall/spring).

## **Joanne K. Glasser Endowed Diversity Leadership Scholarship (Diversity- Essay Required)**

Eligibility- For a full-time undergraduate student in an ECU degree program and be in good academic standing with a 3.0 cumulative GPA. Write a 250 - 500 word essay describing your commitment and involvement in activities that have helped you understand, respect and celebrate diversity, including a description of what diversity means to you. Include a financial need statement as part of the essay.

Benefit- Two fall term scholarships to be awarded based on available funds.

Conditions- Renewable up to eight semesters toward a degree if a 3.0 cumulative GPA is maintained.

## **Medina Endowed Scholarship (Diversity)**

Eligibility- For Hispanic students who are enrolled full-time and in good academic standing.

Benefit- Annual scholarship based on available funds.

Condition- Renewable if criteria is maintained.

## **Ricky and Christian Joelle Gordon Endowed Diversity Scholarship (Diversity- Essay Required)**

Eligibility- For a full-time student with a diverse background and with a financial need, in any major field of study. Must be working to obtain a four year degree. Must be in good academic standing with one year completed course work. Demonstrate leadership through community and extracurricular involvement. Must have a minimum 2.7 cumulative GPA. Write a 500 – 1,000 word essay describing your commitment and involvement in activities that have helped you understand, respect and celebrate diversity, including a description of what diversity means to you. Demonstrates financial need via the FAFSA will be considered.

Benefit- Annual scholarship based on available funds.

Conditions- This is a one-time award (non-renewable.) Copies of recommendation letters and essays from all recipients will be sent to the donor.

## **Dr. Aaron Thompson and Dr. Rita Davis Endowed Scholarship (Diversity- Essay Required)**

Eligibility – For African-American students from Eastern and Southeastern Kentucky who are graduating seniors planning to attend Eastern Kentucky University or currently enrolled students attending Eastern Kentucky University who have a 19 ACT composite, a 3.0 cumulative GPA and demonstrates financial need via the FAFSA. Write an essay describing what it means to be a person of color from Appalachia.

Benefit- Annual scholarship based on available funds.

Condition- Must reapply each year.

## **Dr. Kimberly D. Merritt Memorial Scholarship (Diversity & Multiculturalism)**

Eligibility- For student who are enrolled full-time as a sophomore, junior or senior at the university, maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or greater, traditionally underrepresented in academic or institutional programs as it relates to the goal of increasing diversity. This would include first generation college students, students from low income families, and students with a history of overcoming adversity. Demonstrates financial need.

Benefit- Annual scholarship based on available funds.

Condition- Must reapply each year.

## **First Year Student Diversity Scholarship (Diversity & Multiculturalism)**

Eligibility- For incoming freshmen from underrepresented racial/ ethnic minorities. Preference given to student who demonstrate financial need as assessed by the Financial Aid and Scholarship Offices. Additional preference given to students majoring in Broadcasting Communications or a program in the College of Business & Technology.

Benefit- Annual scholarship based on available funds.

Condition- Must reapply each year.