



THE LUTHER C. McCLELLAN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION AWARDS INSTRUCTIONS

The Luther C. McClellan Chapter of the University of Memphis Alumni Association will award the Luther C. McClellan Scholarship to graduate and undergraduate minority students attending The University of Memphis. The purpose of this award is to recognize students who have shown outstanding academic achievement, leadership qualities, and community involvement.

Each student who receives a scholarship will receive an award in the amount of \$500 for the school year. The winners will also receive certificates acknowledging this selection.

HISTORY OF LUTHER C. McCLELLAN

Luther C. McClellan was one of the Memphis State Eight who were the first African-American students admitted to Memphis State University in 1959. Mr. Luther C. McClellan became the first African-American to graduate from the University of Memphis in 1962, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics.

The Luther C. McClellan Alumni Chapter was established in May 1987 to encourage the African-American alumni of The University of Memphis to participate in the activities of the National Alumni Association. The Luther C. McClellan scholarship was established in 1988 to assist deserving students at the University of Memphis.

WHAT ARE THE CRITERIA?

Interested candidates must be full-time students at the University of Memphis. Transfer students are eligible for this award as long as they meet all the other criteria. The undergraduate applicant must possess a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5 while the graduate applicant must possess a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on the 4.0 scale. Each candidate must also submit one letter of recommendation from an advisor or University of Memphis faculty/staff member.

Applications can be picked up at the Scholarship Office, Minority Affairs Office, or the Alumni and Constituent Programs Office. The completed application form, essay, and recommendation letter must be received at the Alumni Center (located at 635 Normal Street, behind South Hall) **no later than 4:00 PM on January 18 of each year. If January 18 falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the application must be turned in on the immediate following Monday.**

SELECTION PROCESS

The Scholarship Chairperson of the Luther C. McClellan Chapter in conjunction with the Alumni Association office shall coordinate the selection process. Applicants will be judged on their academics, leadership and community involvement. The top five candidates will be selected and interviewed by the scholarship committee of the Luther C. McClellan Alumni Chapter and an Alumni Association office representative. The committee and representative shall vote and make the final selection.

THE LUTHER C. McCLELLAN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please type or print:

Full Name: _____ SSN: _____

Email: _____

Local Address: _____ Telephone: (h) _____

_____ (c) _____

(w) _____

Permanent Address: _____ Telephone: (h) _____

_____ (c) _____

(w) _____

Please Mark Only One: Undergraduate Student _____ Graduate Student _____

Major: _____ Number of Hours Completed: _____

Number of Hours enrolled this semester: _____ Cumulative G.P.A.: _____

Expected graduation date: _____

Please list all organizations and honors received in the following categories within the past five (5) years. Please type or print. Attach an additional sheet if necessary.

Activities

1. **Scholastic** (Dean's List, Academic Awards, Honor Societies, Scholarship Awards, etc.)

2. **University/Professional Activities** (SGA, Student Ambassador Board, Junior League, etc.)

3. **Awards and Honors** (Who's Who, Mr. or Ms. U of M, Employee of the Month etc.)

4. **Community Involvement** (Community Service Activities, etc.)

Summary/ Essay

Undergraduate students must write a 500 word essay on the following:

Diversity has played a huge role in the first 100 years of the University of Memphis. How do you see diversity shaping The University of Memphis in the next 100 years? Additionally, how have you contributed to that in your time here?

This application is due to the Alumni & Constituent Programs Office by January 18 of each year. If January 18 falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the application must be turned in on the immediate following Monday.

There will be no exceptions. If you have any questions please call the Alumni Association at 678-2586.

I agree that all the information given in this application is true and correct.

Applicant's signature

Date