

# History Department Undergraduate Scholarships and Awards

## University of Memphis

### 2014-2015

#### **Bob Baker Scholarship**

*Requirements:* Awarded to history major of junior or senior standing (61 or more completed credit hours) with history and overall GPA of 3.0 or higher. A preference goes to students who demonstrate financial need.

*1 or 2 awarded each spring, deadline: 1/26/15*

*Amount awarded depends on funding*

*Application available through the Tiger Scholarship Manager:*

<https://memphis.academicworks.com/opportunities/2468>

#### **Belle McWilliams Scholarship**

*Requirements:* Awarded to history major of at least sophomore standing (31-60 credit hours) with history and overall GPA of 3.0 or higher. The student must be a US resident. The following are taken into consideration for this award: demonstrated above average interest in US history, diverse extra curricular activities, and outstanding academic achievement.

*1 or 2 awarded at undergraduate level each spring, deadline: 1/26/15*

*Amount awarded depends on funding*

*Application available through the Tiger Scholarship Manager:*

<https://memphis.academicworks.com/opportunities/2482>

#### **Paul R. Coppock Scholarship**

*Requirements:* Awarded to history major or history graduate student with a demonstrated dedication to and talent in the field of history. This scholarship alternates with the journalism department, and is awarded every other year as funds are available.

*1 awarded every other year, depending on availability of funds*

*Amount awarded depends on funding*

*The Coppock Scholarship will be awarded to a history graduate student in 2015-2016 and is not available for undergraduates at this time.*

#### **Janann M. Sherman Undergraduate Award for the Study of Women's History**

*Requirements:* The award assists with the educational expenses of an exceptional undergraduate student with a demonstrated interest, through coursework and/or research, in the history of women, gender, and/or the family. Recipient must be full-time student who has completed at least 45 hours of coursework with a minimum GPA of 3.0. Recipient does not need to be a history major, but must demonstrate interest in and academic experience working on topics relating to the history of women, gender, and/or the family.

*1 awarded every year, deadline: 1/26/15*

*Amount awarded depends on funding*

*Application available here: [http://www.memphis.edu/history/pdfs/sherman\\_award\\_application.pdf](http://www.memphis.edu/history/pdfs/sherman_award_application.pdf)*

#### **Major L. Wilson Undergraduate Paper Prize**

*Requirements:* Awarded to the best paper written by an undergraduate student in a history course during the previous calendar year. The paper can be of any kind (research paper, book review, etc.). Winner does not have to be a history major and can be of any class standing.

*1 awarded every spring, deadline: 1/26/15*

*\$100*

*Self-nomination form and paper submission required for students, available here:*

[http://www.memphis.edu/history/pdfs/major\\_wilson\\_prize\\_self\\_nomination\\_form.pdf](http://www.memphis.edu/history/pdfs/major_wilson_prize_self_nomination_form.pdf)

*Faculty may also nominate student papers for this award*

### **Jonathan Derek Selkirk Award in History**

*Requirements:* Awarded to currently enrolled history major for the best 2-3 page essay on an annual theme in US history. The 2014-2015 theme is "Leadership and Legacy in US History." Applicants may use an essay written expressly for this prize, or an essay written for a course.

*1 awarded every spring, deadline: 1/26/15*

*\$500*

*Application form and paper submission required, available here:*

*[http://www.memphis.edu/history/pdfs/selkirk\\_application\\_form.pdf](http://www.memphis.edu/history/pdfs/selkirk_application_form.pdf)*

### **Kell F. Mitchell Memorial Award**

*Requirements:* Awarded to history major of junior standing (61-90 completed credit hours) with the highest GPA in history courses. If there is a tie for highest history GPA, award will go to the individual who also has the highest overall GPA. Awardee must be a full-time student who has completed at least 21 credit hours in history at the University of Memphis. Funds are to be used to pay for books and supplies used in course work the following Fall semester.

*1 awarded yearly, after spring semester grades have been submitted*

*\$500*

*Application not required (winner selected based on official GPA)*

### **Tennessee Historical Commission Award**

*Requirements:* Awarded to the history major graduating in the spring term with the highest history and overall GPA.

*1 awarded every spring*

*\$100*

*Application not required (winner selected based on official GPA)*

### **Undergraduate History Internship Award**

The History Department at The University of Memphis is committed to providing students with enriching educational experiences both inside and outside of the classroom. In order to encourage students to take advantage of these outside experiences, the History Department awards up to three \$2000 awards per year to students who seek out and complete an approved internship experience, which includes enrollment in at least 3 credit hours of the HIST 4020 internship course. Priority will be given to students in positions that promote their development as historians and prepare them for future careers and/or graduate study in history.

*Please contact Dr. Chrystal Goudsouzian ([cdykes@memphis.edu](mailto:cdykes@memphis.edu)) for information about this award.*

*Application available here: [http://www.memphis.edu/history/pdfs/undergrad\\_internship.pdf](http://www.memphis.edu/history/pdfs/undergrad_internship.pdf)*

### **History Department Undergraduate Travel Grant**

Undergraduate history majors are eligible for travel funding to complete original research or to present their work at scholarly conferences.

*Up to 1 awarded every semester, deadlines coincide with CAS Travel Enrichment Grants Deadlines*

*\$500*

*Application available here: [http://www.memphis.edu/history/pdfs/ug\\_travel\\_grant\\_application.pdf](http://www.memphis.edu/history/pdfs/ug_travel_grant_application.pdf)*

**All winners will be decided by a committee of history department faculty members.**

**Please contact Dr. Sarah Potter, Director of Undergraduate Studies, if you have any questions about these awards: [spotter1@memphis.edu](mailto:spotter1@memphis.edu)**