

2012-13 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

GENERAL INFORMATION

Departmental scholarships are offered to majors in all areas of the department. The amount of awards varies. Scholarships are open to incoming freshmen and rising sophomore, junior and senior Communication majors, including transfer students. Recipients must be enrolled at MSU when scholarships are distrib-

uted. Most of the scholarships target students with a 3.0 or higher grade point average, but significant extracurricular activities are considered.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Application packets must be received by Monday, February 6, 2012. Improperly submitted packets will not be considered. See instructions for details.

ABOUT OUR SCHOLARSHIPS

TURNER CATLEDGE SCHOLARSHIP

The Catledge Scholarship is funded by an endowment from The New York Times Foundation to honor a former executive editor. The scholarship is awarded to Communication majors based on need and promise as students and professionals typically illustrated through submission of a portfolio.

FOUNDERS SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship honors four founders of the department's programs: Dr. Robert G. Anderson, Dr. Dominic J. Cunetto, Dr. E. Samuel Dudley, and Mr. Henry F. Meyer. Communication majors who are sophomores, juniors or seniors and who have at least "B" averages are eligible. Specific qualifications are typically demonstrated through portfolios that illustrate promise in leadership or in the various fields of communication.

EARL LOVE GUYTON SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the Guyton family to honor their late brother and cousin, this award is made to junior and senior Communication majors based on academic record, community service, and promise in the field of communication often demonstrated through a portfolio.

HANK FLICK OUTSTANDING SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship honors Dr. Hank Flick, a Communication faculty member who has demonstrated his commitment to the ideals of community service. Candidates must have at least a 2.25 overall grade point average and must be at least a freshman at MSU with the scholarship to be awarded for the sophomore year or later. Awards are based on a record of service to the community and MSU illustrated through a resumé or portfolio detailing service and leadership activities.

MARIAN HUTTENSTINE FRESHMAN SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship honors former department head Dr. Marian Huttenstine. It is based on academics and high achievement in communication-related activities.

HELEN AND JOE PHILLIPS SCHOLARSHIP

The Phillips Scholarship was established by the couple's children to honor their parents, who had business interests in broadcasting. The award is given to juniors and seniors based on need, academic achievement ("B" average minimum) and leadership ability.

LAB RATS COMEDY AND

BLACKFRIARS DRAMA SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIPS

The Lab Rats Comedy and Blackfriars Drama Society sponsors two scholarships. One scholarship will be awarded to a Communication major who is concentrating in Theatre. Another scholarship will be awarded to an MSU student in any major who has demonstrated a serious commitment to theatre at Mississippi State.

DOMINIC J. CUNETTO, SR.,

ENDOWED THEATRE SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship honors Dr. Dominic J. Cunetto, Sr., a founder and the first director of the MSU theatre program. Incoming and currently enrolled students in the Theatre concentration are eligible. Applicants should have demonstrated academic achievement and demonstrated talent in one or more of the various areas of theatre and competence in at least a second area of theatre. Students should demonstrate practical experience through supplemental material to the application.

A.G. "AGGIE" WEEMS SCHOLARSHIP

The Weems Scholarship was established by his family in honor of a leading Mississippi press figure. It is awarded yearly to a junior or senior Journalism student based on academic record.

OUTSTANDING TRANSFER STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established by an MSU alumnus to support incoming transfer students who have at least a 3.25 grade point average. It is based on academic achievement and academic/professional promise.

PRESS RELEASE

Provide information to be used for a press release if you receive a scholarship. Include your name and your parents' names as you would like them published.

Name _____ 2012-13 Classification _____

Major/Minor Information _____

Parents' Names _____

High School Attended and Graduation Date _____

Most Significant Awards, Scholarships, Honors, Activities, especially at MSU _____

CONTACT INFORMATION

MSU/Local Mailing Address

Permanent Home Address

MSU/Local Telephone _____

Home Telephone _____

Cell Phone _____

E-Mail _____

REMINDER: See application packet instructions and complete parts 2, 3 and 4.

AFFIRMATION

I hereby affirm that the information that I have provided on this application is accurate and that I have provided no misleading statements.

Signature _____ Date _____

FOR COMMITTEE USE ONLY

Date Received

Items Received

Scholarship Award

_____ Application Form

Fund

Amount

_____ Transcript

_____ Written Statements

_____ Portfolio

APPLICATION PACKET INSTRUCTIONS

Submit a complete application packet. A complete packet includes nine application forms, nine transcripts, and nine of each of the written statements, all organized into nine individual applications. Only one copy of your portfolio should be submitted. Use this check sheet to make sure you submit everything.

_____ (1) **Completed application form:** Complete the form and make eight copies. Submit all nine forms
9 items with the proper documents attached.

_____ (2) **Transcripts:** Applicants must include one complete official academic transcript and eight
9 items copies. The original must be obtained from the college registrar's office or high school office and then copied eight times. Transcripts printed directly from the Web are not acceptable. Attach each transcript to a completed application form. Applications without complete transcripts attached will not be considered.

(3) **Written statements:** Type responses to the following items on separate sheets of paper. Provide nine copies of each statement and attach to your nine application forms.

_____ a. List the Communication courses you have taken at MSU and elsewhere. Include the
9 items instructor's name for each course.

_____ b. Write a brief explanation of why you chose Communication as your major. Your response
9 items should be less than a page long.

_____ c. Describe work experiences and similar activities you have had in communication
9 items fields or using communication skills. A resumé may be included.

_____ d. Describe your extracurricular activities, especially those in which you use communication
9 items skills. Include activities such as participation in student media organizations, plays, membership and leadership positions in organizations, and honors received, etc.

_____ e. Optional statement: Explain anything else that you believe will help us make a decision
9 items regarding your application. Statements of financial or personal need may be submitted.

_____ (4) **Portfolio:** If possible, submit one copy of a portfolio demonstrating your use of communication
1 item skills. Include materials such as those generated as part of internships, jobs, extracurricular activities, and courses. Place items in a manila folder, a large envelope, or a binder. Portfolio materials will be returned upon request.

DEADLINE, DELIVERY, AND POLICIES

DEADLINE

Monday, February 6, 2012

Hand deliver applications to the department's main office in McComas Hall, Room 130.

Mail applications to:

Scholarship Committee
Department of Communication
P.O. Box PF
Mississippi State, MS 39762

Questions should be directed to committee chair Frances McDavid at 662-325-8935 or at fmcdavid@comm.msstate.edu.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT POLICY

All scholarship recipients must write a letter of appreciation to the appropriate individual or individuals.

WITHDRAWAL POLICY

Scholarship recipients who withdraw from school, change majors, or change areas of concentration within the major must inform the scholarship committee.

RENEWAL POLICY

Previous recipients must reapply and compete with all other applicants annually. Scholarships are not automatically renewed. No reminder will be given of this policy.