SETON HALL UNIVERSITY

Center for Public Service/Graduate Department of
Public & Healthcare Administration

Information and Application for Scholarships
Academic Year 2009-2010
The Center for Public Service at Seton Hall University, announces the availability of four kinds of scholarships for study in the Master of Public Administration (MPA) program, accredited by The National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration (NASPAA).

1. **Partial Scholarships for Nonprofit Management Courses**

These scholarships provide partial tuition (up to a maximum of 50% tuition per **ELIGIBLE** course) for a designated number of courses (typically a maximum of six courses) that focus on the management of nonprofit organizations. Scholarships are awarded by a committee of faculty and community leaders on a competitive basis to students studying in our MPA degree and certificate programs in nonprofit organization management.

What steps do I follow in order to apply for a partial scholarship?

- Complete the Application for Graduate Programs, if you are applying for admission into the degree program, and the Partial Scholarship Application (Attached)
- Complete the Graduate Certificate Application, if you are applying for admission into the nonprofit management **certificate programs**, and the Partial Scholarship Application (Attached)

2. **Goya Scholarships**

Goya Scholarships provide partial scholarships for study in the MPA degree program for any concentration area (Health Policy and Management, Public Service: Leadership, Governance and Policy, or Nonprofit Organization Management) to **Latino/Latina students with demonstrated financial need.**

What steps do I follow in order to apply for a Goya Scholarship?

- Apply for admission into the degree by:
  - Completing the Application for Graduate Programs
  - Completing the Partial Scholarship Application (attached)
  - Completing the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Financial Aid).* For information on FAFSA visit the FAFSA website at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).
3. **Thomas J. Stanton, Jr., Scholarship**

Seton Hall University’s Center for Public Service is pleased to announce the availability of applications for a special scholarship program established in memory of Thomas J. Stanton Jr.

Mr. Thomas J. Stanton Jr. was one of New Jersey’s outstanding business and civic leaders. Even though he was a corporate executive who served as president and chief executive officer of National Bank of Jersey City (now part of Bank of America), Mr. Stanton’s passion was economic and community development in New Jersey. After he retired in 1990, he remained active in urban renewal projects, pledging dollars and time as chairperson of the first board of Liberty Science Center and chairperson on New Jersey Future, an organization dedicated to improving the quality of life in New Jersey. In addition, he served on numerous other boards of faith-based and secular charitable organizations. Throughout his life, Mr. Thomas J. Stanton, Jr. made philanthropic endeavors his priority.

In 1989, in keeping with Stanton’s commitment to civic responsibility, Mr. Thomas J. Stanton, Jr. was appointed the first chair of Seton Hall University’s Center for Public Service Advisory Council, a post he held until his death in January 1998.

With a very generous gift from Mr. Stanton’s widow, Jane Maloney Stanton, each year, the Center for Public Service awards partial scholarship funds to a student who has been accepted into the Master of Public Administration program offered by the Graduate Department of Public and Healthcare Administration. In addition to financial need and academic achievement, recipients must demonstrate a commitment to leadership and community service in New Jersey, much like the civic leader, Mr. Thomas J. Stanton Jr., for whom the scholarship is named.

What steps do I follow in order to apply for a Thomas J. Stanton, Jr., Scholarship?

Apply for admission into the degree program by:

- Completing the Application for Graduate Programs (the Stanton Scholarship is only applicable to students who are accepted into the MPA degree program)
- Completing the Partial Scholarship Application (attached)

In addition to writing the scholarship essay explained in the Partial Scholarship Application, applicants for the Stanton Scholarship should submit a personal statement explaining their commitment to community development in New Jersey and their interest in applying for the Stanton scholarship, along with a resume.
4. **Union Foundation Scholarships (Restricted to residents of Union County or employees of nonprofit organizations that serve Union County residents)**

What steps do I follow in order to apply for a Union Foundation Scholarship?

Complete the Application for Graduate Programs, if you are applying for admission into the degree program, and the Partial Scholarship Application (Attached)

Complete the Graduate Certificate Application, if you are applying for admission into the nonprofit management or arts administration certificate programs, and the Partial Scholarship Application (Attached)

**WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS?**
Applicants must meet the admissions criteria for their chosen program of study. Applicants who are not accepted into one of the certificate or degree programs will not be eligible for a scholarship.

All applicants must have a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university. Degree applicants must have a minimum of a 3.0 grade point average (GPA). Certificate applicants must have a minimum of a 2.75 grade point average. (Due to the competitive nature of these scholarships, it is anticipated that those who are awarded scholarships will have GPA’s significantly above 3.0.)

Candidates for the Nonprofit Organization Management Scholarships must have a demonstrated commitment to the nonprofit or arts sectors. This commitment may be evidenced through paid and/or volunteer work in nonprofit or arts organizations.

Candidates for the Stanton Scholarship should demonstrate a commitment to voluntarism as well as economic and community development in New Jersey.

Candidates for the Union Foundation Scholarship must be a resident of Union County or be employed by an organization that serves residents of Union County.

**Minority candidates are encouraged to apply.** Some scholarship funds are earmarked for minority students.

**Am I required to attain certain grades to continue receiving scholarship funds?**

Yes, you must maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0 to continue receiving scholarship funds.
WHOM DO I CONTACT WITH QUESTIONS REGARDING THE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCEDURES?

Contact Dr. Naomi Wish at wishnaom@shu.edu

WHOM DO I CONTACT WITH QUESTIONS REGARDING ADMISSIONS APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR THE CERTIFICATE AND/OR DEGREE PROGRAMS?

To obtain applications for admission to the degree or Certificate program or for questions regarding admissions, contact:

Monica Mckie or Ryan Ouellette at (973) 761-9510.
WHERE DO I SEND MY COMPLETED GRADUATE DEGREE ADMISSIONS APPLICATION AND PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION?

If you are applying for admission to the MPA degree program, send your completed admission application together with your scholarship application, to:

Sarah Caron  
Office of the Provost  
Presidents Hall  
Seton Hall University  
400 South Orange Ave.  
South Orange, NJ 07079

If you are applying for admission to a graduate certificate program, send your completed admission application together with your scholarship application to:

Monica Mckie  
Department of Public and Healthcare Administration  
Room 566  
Jubilee Hall  
Seton Hall University  
400 South Orange Ave.  
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I. Partial Scholarship Opportunities

All scholarship applications require the submission of the following materials. Any additional required documents are noted below the specific scholarship choice.

If applying for admission into the **MPA Degree program**:

- Completed Application for Admission to program, which includes:
  - Current resume
  - Official transcripts for all colleges and universities you have attended
  - Three letters of recommendation
  - Required essay

- Completed and signed Scholarship Application (attached)
- Completed Scholarship Essay (Part IV of attached Scholarship Application)
- Completed additional personal statement and resume for the Stanton scholarship

If applying for admission into the **Graduate Certificate program**

- Completed Application for the Graduate Certificate program, which includes:
  - Current resume
  - Official Transcript(s) showing successful completion of an undergraduate degree from an accredited college or university
  - One essay answering the question provided on the admissions application

- Completed and signed Scholarship Application (attached)
- Completed Scholarship Essay (Part IV of attached Scholarship Application)
Scholarship Application
The Center for Public Service

Name ________________________________

                    Last                First
Social Security No.: _____ - __ - __________

Home Address

Street address ____________________________________________
City ______________________________________________________
State and Zip code ________________________________________

Daytime Phone Number ______________________________________

Email address ____________________________________________

I. Type of Scholarship

Please put an X next to each scholarship opportunity for which you wish to be considered. Refer to the scholarship fact sheet for descriptions/responsibilities of each type of scholarship. You may mark more than one type if you fit the qualifications.

Note: Some of these scholarships give preference to minority applicants; if you are a minority individual and wish to be considered, please be sure to complete Section II. Ethnic Background of this form.

_____ Partial Scholarships for Nonprofit Management

_____ Thomas J. Stanton, Jr., Scholarship

_____ Goya Scholarships   (for Latino students only)

_____ Union Foundation Scholarships (for residents of Union County or employees of organizations that serve Union County residents)

For Goya Scholarships
  • You must complete Section II. Ethnic Background of this form.
  • You must complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
II. **Ethnic Background**

Note: This information is required if you are a minority candidate who wishes to be considered for scholarships that are limited to or for which preference is given to minority individuals.

- American Indian or Native Alaskan
- Asian Pacific Islander
- Black (Non-Latino/Latina)
- Latino/Latina
- White (Non-Latino/Latina)
- Other (Specify: ________)

III. **Financial Assistance**

Please note that the reception of other financial assistance does not automatically preclude you from receiving additional financial support.

1. Are you eligible for tuition remission through your employer?
   
   Yes _____  No _____  If so, how much? ______________________

2. Have you been awarded any other scholarship funds to use toward your graduate study (e.g., AmeriCorps or private scholarship)? If yes, please note source and amount of award.

3. Were you or are you an EOP (Educational Opportunity Program) student? Yes __ No __

4. Have you filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)? It is required for Goya Scholarships. Yes ___ No ___

   If yes, date of filing ______________________

IV. **Scholarship Essay**

Please attach completed essay to the scholarship application.

A scholarship is an investment by a funder in your education. Scholarship funds are donated in the hope that the education you receive will provide you with the knowledge, skills and ability to make a difference in the quality of life of those you serve.

Please answer the following questions in a 300-word, double-spaced essay. Your essay will be reviewed by our scholarship committee, which is comprised of faculty, practitioners and donors.
What do you see as the biggest challenges and greatest opportunities in your chosen field? How do you feel the opportunity for graduate study will help you to address these challenges and take advantage of these opportunities?

I understand that a scholarship committee will view this application. Background information on scholarship applicants and recipients may be given to funders as part of grant reporting requirements.

Signature: ______________________    Date: _______________

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