

CENTER FOR POLICY ANALYSIS

2007-2008 POLICY STUDIES SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

The University of Massachusetts Dartmouth Foundation maintains a Policy Studies Scholarship Fund that is administered by the Center for Policy Analysis. The Scholarship Fund provides financial assistance to undergraduate and graduate students who are enrolled at UMass Dartmouth and maintain an active interest in public policy.

Who is eligible?

Students must meet the following minimum criteria to be eligible for a policy studies scholarship:

- be enrolled full-time or part-time at UMass Dartmouth,
- taking classes in Policy Studies, conducting research for the Center for Policy Analysis, or participating in a Policy Studies Internship, although preference will be given to students who are declared Minors in Policy Studies (undergraduates) and students who have been accepted into the Master of Public Policy program (graduates),
- undergraduate students must have a 2.5 G.P.A. or higher; graduate students must have a 3.5 G.P.A. or higher,
- demonstrate an active interest in extra-curricular activities that involve public policy, public service, or community service,
- submit the Policy Studies scholarship application form to the Director of the Center for Policy Analysis no later than October 1st of the academic year,
- submit a copy of the student's current transcript,
- submit a one-page letter of interest highlighting the student's public policy involvement and related achievements.

What is the amount of the scholarship?

Scholarship awards to undergraduate students are normally \$500. Scholarship awards to graduate students are normally \$1,000. The amounts of the awards may vary depending upon the decision of the Policy Studies Program & Curriculum Committee and the availability of funds.

How can I use the scholarship?

The scholarship check is forwarded directly to the student, who may use it to pay university tuition and fees, books, research related travel expenses, campus room and board, or other living expenses. Students will receive their scholarship check at the Center for Policy Analysis annual advisory board banquet in October.

Award Decisions

Scholarships will be awarded on a combination of academic merit and public service. Scholarships awards are decided by the Center for Policy Analysis Advisory Board's "Policy Studies Program & Curriculum Committee." This group is a five-member committee that includes at least two full-time tenure-line faculty in the Department of Policy Studies or its Affiliated Faculty. At least two committee members are non-faculty practitioners who sit as members of the Center for Policy Analysis Advisory Board. Scholarship awards will be announced no later than November 7th and awarded at the Center for Analysis annual advisory board dinner.

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PERSONAL DATA

Name _____ Social Security Number _____ - _____ - _____

Permanent Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone Number _____ Email _____ Date of Birth ____ / ____ / ____

ELIGIBILITY

I certify that I am enrolled at UMass Dartmouth _____ full-time _____ part-time

I certify that I am (please check all that apply):

___ enrolled in the Policy Studies Minor _____ enrolled in the Master of Public Policy Program

___ taking classes in Policy Studies _____ conducting research for the Center for Policy Analysis

___ participating in a Policy Studies Internship

Cumulative G.P.A. _____ Current Major _____

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

(1) Please describe any extra-curricular activities that relate to public policy, public service, or community service (attach an additional sheet if necessary):

(2) Please attach a copy of your most current transcript.

(3) Please attach a one-page letter of interest highlighting your involvement in public policy and related achievements.

I certify to the best of my knowledge that the information contained in this scholarship application is true and correct.

Applicant/Student Signature

Date

Please submit this application to the Director of the Center for Policy Analysis at University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, 285 Old Westport Road, North Dartmouth, MA 02747 no later than October 1st of the academic year.