2004 MPA Alumni Scholarship Application

Requirements for the MPA Alumni Scholarship Award:

1. Applicants must be enrolled as a full time student (6 hours) in the UAB MPA Program, have 12 hours completed graduate work with a 3.0 GPA in the MPA Program and be in good standing with the Department of Government and Public Service.


3. An official copy of the student’s undergraduate and most recent graduate transcripts should be requested for release from the Department of Government directly to the scholarship committee at:

   MPA Alumni Scholarship Committee Chair  
   c/o Lorraine Smith, MPA Program  
   Department of Government  
   238 Ullman Building, 1212 University Blvd.  
   Birmingham, Al 35294-3350

4. Applicants must have three names of reference (only one can be from a faculty member in the department) who have a significant knowledge of the student. Letters of recommendations are due when requested by the committee. Examples of who you might use as reference include: department faculty, present/past supervisor, employers, volunteer organizations, etc. These should be sent directly to the committee from the person making the referral. Send reference letters to:

   MPA Alumni Scholarship Committee Chair  
   c/o Dr. Akhlaque Haque  
   Department of Government  
   238 Ullman Building, 1212 University Blvd.  
   Birmingham, Al 35294-3350  
   Email: ahaque@uab.edu

5. Applicants must submit a two-page, double-spaced, type-written essay about why the scholarship is important to them; why they are seeking an MPA degree; goals for their future; why they are interested in a career in public administration, or a related topic. Content of the essay is more important than length.

6. Scholarship finalists will be interviewed by the Scholarship Committee as the final qualifying phase of the application process.

7. Awardee will be notified by letter in May 2005. Presentation of the award will be made at the MPA Alumni Association Annual Meeting (normally held in May).
2004 UAB MPA Alumni Association Scholarship Program
Scholarship Committee
Caroline Thomas, Chair
Department of Government and Public Service
238 Ullman Building, 1212 University Blvd.
Birmingham, AL 35294-3350
carolinethomas@yahoo.com

Please type or print in capital letters with black ink.

Applicant ________________________________ Student Number _______________

Address ______________________________________________________________

City _________________________________  State _____________  Zip ____________

Daytime Phone ______________________  Nighttime phone ______________________

Career Aspiration _________________________________________________________

Undergraduate Institution _________________________________________________

City ___________________ State ________  GPA (Overall) _____  Major ___________

Please list extracurricular activities on the lines below – include organizations, community activities and any offices held, including dates you held those offices. If additional space is needed please use the back of this application.

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In addition to this scholarship, what other types of financial assistance have you been awarded?
__________________________________________________________________________________

Please verify that all information is correct and complete before signing below. Check list for complete application packet – items to be included: 1) completed application, 2) latest graduate and undergraduate transcripts released to the Scholarship Committee; 3) three letters of recommendation to the Scholarship Committee, and 4) two-page, double-spaced student essay.

Signature ______________________________ Date _________________________

Incomplete and/or late applications will not be accepted after the deadline of March 30, 2000.

Authorization for release of transcripts:

I hereby authorize the Department of Government and Public Service to provide the UAB MPA Alumni Association Scholarship Committee with copies of my undergraduate and graduate transcripts.

Signature ______________________________ Date _________________________
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Basic Eligibility Requirements

1. Applicants must be a regular degree-seeking graduate student. Temporary, special, transient, conditional or non-degree seeking students do not meet this requirement. A student scholarship recipient will not be paid for a retroactive term.

2. A student must be enrolled as a full-time student (6 hours) in the MPA program at UAB.

3. A student must have a minimum UAB Graduate GPA or 3.0 based on 12 hours of completed graduate work as of 11/30/04.

4. The Scholarship Committee must receive the completed application by the deadline of November, 30, 2004. The following information is required for a complete application packet:
   - Student application
   - Student essay
   - Names of references (letters will be asked later)
   - Official transcripts (undergraduate and graduate)*
   *see application for release of transcripts from the Department of Government and Public Service.

4. Students selected as finalists must be interviewed by the Scholarship Committee as the final qualifying phase of the application process.

General Procedures and Policies

Disbursement: Scholarship awards are disbursed as directed by the Scholarship Committee. Award is to be made at the MPA Alumni Association Annual Meeting.

Repayment: MPA Alumni Scholarship recipients who withdraw from all classes, or who are administratively withdrawn from all classes, may be required to repay all or a portion of the scholarship they receive. Determination of this will be made by the scholarship committee.

Application deadline is November 30, 2004.