

**NORTHWESTERN HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY
DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP
AWARD FOR WINTER 2010**

PURPOSE

- ❖ Fulfill our commitment to the development of a culturally competent University
- ❖ Better serve minority populations

ELIGIBILITY

1. REQUIREMENTS

- ❖ Minority student who is from a group which is underrepresented in his or her chosen professional field
 - American Indian/Alaskan native
 - Asian
 - Black/African American
 - Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander
 - Hispanic/Latino

AND/OR

- ❖ Student who has evidenced strong participation and commitment to minority communities

2. CRITERIA FOR QUALIFICATION AND AWARD

- ❖ Evidence of service to underrepresented communities of need
- ❖ Evidence of participation in multicultural/diversity organization or activities
- ❖ Evidence of financial need
- ❖ Evidence of high academic achievement
- ❖ An Application essay
- ❖ Letter of recommendation from an advisor or mentor who has worked with the student in a diversity program in which he or she is active
- ❖ Personal interview with the Diversity Commission Scholarship Committee

CONTINUING ELIGIBILITY

- ❖ Must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.75.
- ❖ Must show proof of being involved in a minimum of two mandatory scholarship recipient duties/responsibilities
- ❖ Must demonstrate professional conduct and be a positive advocate for diversity efforts at NWHSU.

DEADLINE: Applications must be postmarked by November 15, 2009

Applications should be mailed to: The Diversity Commission Chair, Northwestern Health Sciences University, 2501 W. 84th Street, Bloomington, MN 55431

The NWHSU Diversity Commission determines recipients

STUDENT INFORMATION (please type or print legibly using ink)

What program are you enrolled in at NWHSU? MESSAGE MCAOM CHIRO

Name _____

Current address _____

Phone Number, including area code _____

Are you eligible for US Federal Student Loans? YES NO

Race/National Origin (information is used to determine eligibility)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaskan native | <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian | <input type="checkbox"/> White |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black/African American | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander | |

Service/Leadership involvement (on and/or off campus – please list all service activities and leadership positions in which you participated)

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I hereby apply for this scholarship and declare that the information on this application is a true representation of the facts:

Student Signature _____ Date _____

ACADEMIC STANDING (Completed by Student Records & Financial Services Office)

Current Term Level _____ Student's Session GPA _____

Signature of SRFS _____

NOTE: Applications should be turned in to a staff member of the SRFS office. You will be asked to initial a check-off sheet to indicate submission of the application.

NORTHWESTERN HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY CONFORMS TO ALL APPLICABLE LEGAL REQUIREMENTS. ADJUSTMENTS MAY BE MADE TO ONE'S FINANCIAL AID PACKAGE TO MEET FEDERAL REGULATIONS AND INSTITUTIONAL POLICIES.

EVIDENCE OF HIGH ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, SPECIFICALLY:

For students seeking enrollment in the College of Chiropractic, an Undergraduate science GPA of 3.0 or higher and cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher is desired.

For students seeking enrollment in the College of Oriental Medicine, an undergraduate cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher is desired.

For students seeking enrollment in the School of Massage Therapy, a high school equivalent GPA of 3.0 or higher is desired.

APPLICATION ESSAY THAT ANSWERS THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

Give at least three reasons why you should be awarded this scholarship? (Within your three reasons, possible topics could include: 1) the involvement that you have had with multicultural organization or groups; 2) what impact this involvement has had on your life and your skills; 3) how you plan to serve your community when you complete your education; 4) how your culture/ethnic identity, or the leadership and service roles in which you have been involved have fostered your appreciation of cultural and ethnic differences).

AWARD AMOUNTS

Each academic year NWSU will award one scholarship to qualified students enrolling in the College of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine; one scholarship to qualified students enrolling in the School of Massage Therapy; and two scholarships to qualified students enrolling in the College of Chiropractic. The student will receive a scholarship award equal to 100% of the academic program tuition for each term during which the student remains eligible.

CRITERIA FOR WITHDRAWAL OF SCHOLARSHIP

The recipient has been found to have violated a student conduct policy through the University disciplinary process, as outlined in the Student Handbook.

The recipient's cumulative GPA falls below 2.75 for two terms.

- o Note: If the GPA falls below 2.75, the recipient will be granted one term in which the GPA must be restored to 2.75 or higher. If a GPA of 2.75 is subsequently not maintained, the scholarship will be withdrawn.

The recipient does not demonstrate involvement in a minimum of two mandatory scholarship recipient responsibilities.