

**NORTHWESTERN HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY  
DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP – (For Incoming Students)  
AWARD FOR WINTER 2011**

**PURPOSE**

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

**ELIGIBILITY**

**New/Incoming student who has been admitted to, and accepted their offer of admission to their program of interest with an effective start date of Winter 2011**

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, 2010**

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

The NWHSU Diversity Commission determines recipients

**DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP - NEW/INCOMING STUDENTS**

**STUDENT INFORMATION (please type or print legibly using ink)**

Program into which you have been admitted    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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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 one scholarship 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.