THE VIJI JEGANATHAN SCHOLARSHIP FOR CROSS-CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING

Description

This is an endowed $1,000 scholarship in memory of an outstanding international student, Viji Jeganathan. The purpose of the scholarship is to recognize an individual who demonstrates leadership and ability in bridging cultural differences and who by example promotes communication among students of diverse nationalities at UK or in the Lexington Community.

Eligibility

Applicants must be international or American students who:

• Are currently enrolled juniors, seniors or graduate students who have completed at least three semesters at UK.
• Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.8 (undergraduates) or 3.3 (graduate students).
• Regularly participate in UKIC programs or campus or community activities that promote international awareness and understanding.
• Demonstrate leadership ability by example.
• Demonstrate exemplary character and integrity.
• Have not received this scholarship before.

Selection Process

A committee of UK faculty and staff will review the applications and select recipients by April.

One candidate will be selected to receive the award, or, in the event of a tie, the $1,000 award will be divided between two candidates.

Application Deadline: March 30, 2016

To apply, please submit:

1. Unofficial transcript from myUK.

2. Two signed letters of recommendation from either two UK faculty members or one faculty and one staff member who can comment on your role and leadership in promoting cross-cultural understanding. These letters should be in a sealed, signed envelope.

3. Essay (500 words) discussing your own experiences with cultural or ethnic differences. Talk about the means you have used to overcome barriers between people or ways you have helped others to bridge differences that divide people.

Submit with the application form, all supporting documents (transcripts, letters of recommendation, and a typed essay) to: 106 Bradley Hall before the deadline, Tuesday, March 30, 2016.

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Application Form Fall 2016

Deadline: March 30, 2016 for submission of application and all supporting documents to 106 Bradley Hall.

Please review the eligibility criteria and instructions before completing the application.

Name: ____________________________________________________________
                  Family/Last                                      Given/First

Address: __________________________________________________________

Zip Code: ________________________________

Phone: ___________________________  E-mail: ______________________________

Student ID: ___________________________  Visa Classification (if applicable):  □ F-1      □ J-1

Citizenship: ________________________________  □ Male   □ Female

ACADEMIC INFORMATION FOR FALL 2016

Date of first enrollment at UK: _______  □ Junior  □ Senior  □ Master’s  □ Ph.D  □ Other _______

Major/ Field of study: ____________________________________________  Overall UK GPA: _____

Estimated credit hours for Fall 2016: _______  Expected graduation date (month/year): __________

I understand that withholding information requested or giving false information makes me ineligible for this and all other scholarships. I consent to the release of my scholarship file to the Scholarship Committee.

Signature of applicant: ______________________________________    Date: _____________________

Please notify the ISSS office if changes occur after submission of this application.

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