

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

University of Kentucky Office of LGBTQ* Resources Endowed Scholarships 2017-2018

APPLICATION DEADLINE: March 31, 2016

The University of Kentucky Office of LGBTQ* Resources, a part of the Office of the Vice President for Institutional Diversity, announces its second annual cycle of scholarships available to currently enrolled full-time students. These awards will be made to help defray the cost of tuition, room and board, books, education abroad, and other expenses related to the recipient's academic pursuits at the university.

These awards are made possible by gifts to the UK LGBTQ* Endowment Scholarship Fund. Initially created by Drs. Keisa and Amanda Fallin-Bennett—two generous alums devoted to empowering student success—this fund seeks to support Wildcats who are committed to completing a degree at the university. Additional funds are provided by the *UK Feast on Equality* program.

Multiple awards of up to \$2,000 will be granted.

Students may apply by completing the attached application and providing the following supporting documentation:

- ✓ A 400-600 word essay clearly articulating the student's understanding of connections between their identities and their goals at the university
- ✓ Two sealed letters of recommendation that address a student's achievements and/or potential at the university; these must be sent to Lance Poston in Blazer Hall 302; one letter must be from a UK faculty or staff member
- ✓ Documentation of financial need in the form of a copy of a current FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

All currently enrolled full-time students have the opportunity to compete for the scholarship, including individuals who identify as part of an LGBTQ* community and those who do not. In addition to materials submitted by the student, the committee may review the applicant's UK academic transcripts and financial aid records. Applications and sealed letters of recommendation should be submitted in person to the LGBTQ* Business Office in Blazer Hall 302. **The deadline for applications is Friday, March 31 at 5:00 PM. No electronic applications will be accepted.** Application forms are available at: <http://www.uky.edu/lgbtq/awards-and-scholarships>.

Award decisions will be made by the UK Office of LGBTQ* Resources Scholarship and Awards Committee and announced in late April.

