

Harry S. Truman Scholarship

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Truman Scholarship is: To find and recognize college juniors with exceptional leadership potential who are committed to careers in government, the nonprofit or advocacy sectors, education or elsewhere in the public service; and to provide them with financial support for graduate study, leadership training, and fellowship with other students who are committed to *making a difference* through public service.

Purpose

The Truman Scholarship provides up to \$30,000 in funding to students pursuing graduate degrees in public service fields. Students must be college juniors at the time of selection. The Foundation also provides assistance with career counseling, internship placement, graduate school admissions, and professional development. Scholars are invited to participate in a number of programs: Truman Scholar Leadership Week, The Summer Institute, The Truman Fellows Program, and the Public Service Law Conference. Please visit the "*For Scholars*" <http://www.truman.gov/scholars/scholars.htm> section of the website for an overview of the programs the Foundation currently offers for Scholars.

Eligibility

- Candidates must be a US Citizen or US National.
- Candidates must be College Juniors (at the time of selection) with extensive records of public and community service who are committed to careers in government or elsewhere in public service, and have outstanding leadership potential and communication skills.

Service Requirement

All Candidates should be aware that the Truman Scholarship has a newly instituted service requirement. Scholars selected from 2005 on are required to work in public service for three of the seven years following completion of a Foundation funded graduate degree program as a condition of receiving Truman funds. Scholars who do not meet this service requirement, or who fail to provide timely proof to the Foundation of such employment, will be required to repay funds received along with interest. The Foundation will have an appeals process for special circumstances.

Award

- Each scholarship provides \$30,000 for graduate studies.
- Scholars also receive priority admission and supplemental financial aid at some premier graduate institutions, leadership training, a career and graduate school counseling, and special internship opportunities within the federal government.

Application Information

- Applications will be available by August 1, 2007.
- Completed application packets submitted to TWU Committee by January 4, 2008.
- Completed applications to Goldwater Foundation by February 1, 2008 (approximate date).
- Truman Website: www.truman.gov .

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