

The Dean's Merit Scholarship

For Graduate Study in Political Science, Geography, or Global Affairs

For 2020-2021 Academic Year

*The UTSA Department of Political Science and Geography is pleased to announce a new scholarship for new graduate students in Political Science, Geography, or Global Affairs. For the 2020- 2021 academic year, we are offering in each of our programs **several scholarships of \$1,000 each per student per semester.** These scholarships are awarded on the basis of merit as indicated by academic credentials, letters of recommendation, and a statement of purpose (as included with the MA application); a detailed resume; and an additional essay as described below.*

The deadline to turn in applications to the Graduate School for all 3 of the above mentioned programs is **June 15**. Applications will be reviewed by the Department of Political Science & Geography Graduate Program Committee and Graduate Advisor. Funds associated with these scholarships can be used to offset any costs incurred while pursuing the MA degree. Applications which demonstrate significant financial need will be taken in to special consideration during the review process.

Minimum qualifications for this fellowship are:

- 3.00+ GPA in the last 60 hours of coursework.
- Admitted into the MA program in either POL or GRG or GLA
- Enrolled in at least 6 hours of coursework in one of the above listed programs. Award of a scholarship and enrollment in 6 hours of coursework in Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 qualifies for in-state tuition.
- A current resume.
- An essay of between 1000-1500 words on the following topic: "Describe the formative life and educational experiences, intellectual curiosities, and career objectives that motivate you to pursue the master's degree of your choice."

Apply for this scholarship by submitting all of the above listed items and information, and by completing the attached form to the Political Science and Geography Office (MS 4.03.02) by **5:00 pm, June 15, 2020 or via email to Andrea.Aleman@utsa.edu.**

Awards will be announced in August 2020.

Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

The Dean's Merit Scholarship Application Form

I. PERSONAL DATA

Name _____ Banner ID # @ _____
Last First Middle

Local Address _____
Street City County State Zip

Permanent Address

Street City County State Zip

Phone (____) _____ Email Address _____

Expected graduation date _____ Are you paying non-resident tuition? _____

II. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

UTSA graduate program applying to: _____

Undergraduate Major: _____ GPA: _____

Undergraduate Institution: _____

Location: _____

III. ESSAY

(Please attach your essay on the following topic in either Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF format)

Describe, in approximately 1000-1500 words, the formative life and educational experiences, intellectual curiosities, and career objectives that motivate you to pursue the master's degree of your choice.

IV. FINANCIAL AID

Have you applied for financial aid with UTSA’s Office of Financial Aid or OneStop? _____

Have you been awarded other scholarships (NOT LOANS) at UTSA for the fall 2020 or spring 2021 semesters? _____

If yes, please list them and the approximate \$\$ amount:

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V. SIGNATURE AND CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge. I hereby give permission for this information to be released to the donor or potential donors of any scholarship for which I may be eligible.

Applicant’s Signature

Date

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Admission Status: _____

Financial Need: Yes No

Registered Enrollment: _____ hrs.

Transfer Credits: _____ hrs.

Declared Major: _____

Academic Standing: _____

Program Concentration: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____