

2007-08 Teach for Diversity Scholarship Application

The intent of Teach for Diversity Scholarships is to increase the diversity of the K-12 teacher and counselor workforce by supporting students working toward initial licensure who bring diverse experiences and are committed to teaching/counseling in diverse settings.

Funds for these scholarships are made possible through a state allocation. Availability of scholarships is determined year to year. Scholarships for 2007-08 may range from \$1000-\$4000 (applies toward tuition only), with monies payable over winter, spring, and/or spring terms. Number of awards: approximately 8-20. Awards will be made within a few weeks of the application deadline.

To be considered you **must** be admitted to a program within the Graduate School of Education and **must** meet eligibility requirements outlined below. **Application deadline: Friday, January 11, 2008. Applicants will be considered ONLY if application is complete, accurate, and submitted by the deadline.** Items # 2,3,4,6 below can be submitted once for multiple applications.

Name _____ SSN _____
Last First MI

Address _____
City State Zip

Home phone _____ Work phone _____ E-mail _____

Specific GSE Program _____ Expected #credits/term _____ Term/year admitted _____

Previous Bachelor's Degree: School _____ Major _____ GPA _____

Eligibility Criteria. Students who:

- Are admitted to a GSE program for initial K-12 teaching license or school counseling license
- Bring diverse experiences
- Have previous work/volunteer experience with diverse and disenfranchised populations
- Indicate a commitment to work in educational settings that serve disenfranchised people
- Demonstrate financial need

NOTE: Copies of materials from previous application files cannot be provided.

Application process:

1. Complete this application form
2. Complete the Confidential Financial Report. Include pertinent information about your financial constraints on the financial report.
3. Include a photocopy of your student financial aid report summary sheet or a screen print from the PSU Financial Aid Office showing the FAFSA Expected Family Contribution (EFC). (File a FAFSA if you have not already done so.)
4. Include photocopies of undergraduate and any graduate transcripts. These transcripts should show degrees earned and final cumulative GPA. (Be sure to write your GPA on the application form.)
5. Write a one page or less than 500 word personal statement indicating your qualifications for this scholarship. Include educational goals, relevant experience, and community service.
6. Include two professional letters of support from people such as teachers/supervisors who can speak to this scholarship criteria. These letters should be written specifically for this application and/or be recent and speak to this criteria.
7. Statements and letters of support may be shared.

Bring or mail your completed application to (do not leave it with another department):

Office of the Associate Dean
Graduate School of Education, 608 ED
Portland State University
P.O. Box 751
Portland, OR 97207