

The Laura D. Kennamer Scholarship in the Social and Behavioral Sciences



The **Laura D. Kennamer Scholarship Program**, established by the late Laura D. Kennamer, aids and fosters the educational experience of students attending Eastern Kentucky University who are majoring in programs in the areas of Social and Behavioral Sciences. There are two types of scholarship offered under the Kennamer program, Kennamer Campus Scholar for study on campus during the fall and spring terms and Kennamer Study Abroad for study outside the United States.

Recipients are chosen by a committee chaired by the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and comprised of the appropriate departmental Chairs or their nominees. The committee will review applications annually for both Kennamer Scholarship programs.

Kennamer Campus Scholar Applicants: The application is to be completed along with the other required materials stated below and is to be submitted to the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences by February 15th of each year. Recipients will be notified no later than March 15th for awards effective the following academic year.

The Scholarship amounts will vary as based upon investment returns and tuition expenses. In the initial round, Kennamer Campus Scholars received \$5,600 for the academic year. Students must maintain a 3.25 GPA or the scholarship will be revoked. The scholarship is not automatically renewable but past recipients are eligible to apply again.

Kennamer Study Abroad Scholar Applicants: The application form and supporting materials are due by October 15 each year for study in the spring or summer terms that follow. Kennamer Study Abroad Scholarship amounts vary with the budget submitted by applicants. The study abroad experience the student proposes must grant at least three semester hours of credit from an EKU-affiliated Study Abroad program that applies toward an EKU degree. The Study Abroad award is a one time award that does not repeat. Kennamer Campus Scholars are eligible to apply. Recipients will be notified no later than November 15.

Eligibility for the Kennamer Scholarship

Students eligible for a Kennamer Scholarship must be majoring in a Social and Behavioral Science, which currently includes the majors in Anthropology, Economics, Geography, Government, History, Psychology, Social Work or Sociology and have and maintain at least a 3.25 GPA.

Students should have completed between 36 and 90 semester hours. *Students receiving financial aid are encouraged strongly to consult with the Financial Aid office as Kennamer awards may reallocate the student's financial aid award.*

Expectations:

If selected, the student will be required to participate in College of Arts & Sciences scholar recognition activities.

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Application for:

___ Kennamer Scholar program (on campus) OR ___ Kennamer Study Abroad program
(international study)

Section I.

Name _____
Last First M.I.

Student ID# _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Student EKU email address: _____

What is your current academic level? **Check One Only**

Freshman ___ Sophomore ___ Junior ___ Senior ___

Expected Graduation Date (Semester & Year. EX: *Spring 08*) _____

Academic Major _____ GPA _____

Credit hours completed _____

Section II.

• Complete a letter of consideration, no more than two pages, double-spaced, addressed to the Kennamer Scholarship Selection Committee. The letter of consideration should explain the student's academic accomplishments and how the scholarship will impact the student's learning objectives. Applicants for Kennamer Study Abroad Scholarships should include a simple budget for their proposed study abroad experience that covers tuition, room and board.

• Obtain a letter of nomination and support from a faculty member of the department nominating the candidate, explaining the candidate's specific strengths as a student and emerging scholar.

• Obtain a letter of support or endorsement by the academic department chair of your major.

• Obtain a copy of your academic transcript and submit it along with the other required materials.

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Section III.

I understand that, by signing this statement, I have read and comprehend the scholarship application, Letter of Consideration, and the Letters of recommendation requirements and the expectations of the award. I understand that my completed application and Letter of Consideration may be released to applicable donors and that the Eastern Kentucky University Development Office and the College of Arts and Sciences may use information that I provide for external and internal communication purposes. As part of the application process, I understand that the Financial Aid and Scholarship Office may verify requirements of the necessary information. I also agree to the University Foundation Stewardship requirements which include completing a Thank You note to the donors and attending the required functions of a Foundation scholarship Recipient. I understand that if I fail to meet any of the criteria listed above or any of the requirements or expectations the scholarship can be revoked at any time.

Signature

Date

Please submit the completed application prior to the applicable deadline: October 15 for Kennamer Study Abroad or February 15 for Kennamer Campus Scholars to Dean, College of Arts & Sciences, Roark 105.