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### **Maryland Parents Association Student Scholarship Award**

The Maryland Parents Association Student Scholarship Award is a one-time award presented each year to undergraduate students in good standing who may be unable to continue their education at the University due to extenuating financial circumstances. A scholarship of up to \$1,000 (per student) is awarded for the academic year. A total of five awards may be granted annually.

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

To be eligible for the scholarship award, a student must meet the following criteria:

1. Be a registered, degree-seeking student at the University of Maryland, College Park during the semester for which the award is made;
2. Have completed at least 24 credits and be enrolled at the University at the time of application;
3. Be a student in good standing with a minimum GPA of 2.5 and no disciplinary record;
4. Have personal or family circumstances that have caused or contributed to a financial burden that may be remedied in whole or in part by the scholarship award;
5. Have at least one semester of study left at the University before receiving a degree;
6. Be able to apply the full amount of the award to tuition, living expenses or textbooks in the semester/academic year for which the scholarship is awarded and as can be disbursed by the Office of Student Financial Aid.

#### **Application Procedure**

Applications from students may be submitted via postal mail or in person to:

MPA Student Scholarship Award Committee  
c/o Office of Parent and Family Affairs  
University of Maryland  
2108 Mitchell Building  
College Park, MD 20742

Scholarship applicants should address the eligibility criteria as stated above using the attached application form. Applications are due by May 1, 2009 for the following academic year. Finalists may be invited to meet with the Maryland Parents Association Student Scholarship Award Committee.



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**2009 Student Scholarship Award Application**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
First M.I. Last

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID#: \_\_\_\_\_ Current year: FR SO JR SR

Anticipated date of graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Day phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Application deadline: May 1, 2009** (for the 2009-2010 academic year)

Please attach an essay to this application outlining your need for assistance and your qualifications for this award. The essay must be well-written and should address the following:

1. The Student Scholarship Award is intended to provide assistance to a student who may be compelled to leave the University and/or delay graduation due to extenuating financial conditions. Please describe any personal or family circumstances that have caused or contributed to a financial burden of this nature.
2. Are there other financial concerns that you want the Scholarship Award Committee to consider when reviewing this application?
3. How will this scholarship assist you in persisting at the University, pursuing your program of study and attaining your career goals?
4. Please share any additional information about your experience at the University of Maryland that will be helpful for the committee to know.

By signing below, I certify that the above information and all attachments are true and correct. I also certify that I meet all eligibility requirements for this award and accept that any failure to be properly registered at the University of Maryland, College Park for the semester in which any award is made can lead to revocation of the entire award.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Return completed application form and essay to:  
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