EXEMPLARY LEADERSHIP IN EDUCATION GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP
Master of Arts in Education–Principal or Program Administrator Certification
Principal or Program Administrator Certification Only
Master of Arts in Education – Instructional Leadership

Application Instructions

Background
Each year Pacific Lutheran University awards scholarships ranging from $5,000 to $20,000 to new applicants in the MAE PPAC, PPAC Certification Only or MAE IL. The number and amount of the scholarships vary depending on the qualifications of the candidates. The scholarships aim to increase the number of under-represented students in the program and in leadership roles in K-12 education.

Eligibility
Applicants to the MAE PPAC, PPAC Certification Only or MAE IL program may apply for this scholarship. Preference will be given to under-represented students, specifically minority students whose presence will enhance the learning environment through increased diversity in the School of Education and Kinesiology. The applicant must:

• Have a 3.25 minimum cumulative GPA in a previous degree, on a 4.0 scale
• Be currently employed by a Washington State school district

Application Procedure
To apply for the Exemplary Leadership in Education Graduate Scholarship, please submit the following items by no later than February 15:

1) A completed or in-progress application for the MAE PPAC, PPAC Certification Only or MAE IL program.
2) The Exemplary Leadership in Education Graduate Scholarship application form.
3) An essay discussing your vision as a leader in the education community, no more than 5 pages, double-spaced. Please reference your name on each page and email this to gradadmission@plu.edu
4) A letter of recommendation that addresses your promise as a leader in the education community. This is a separate letter of recommendation from the two you will submit with your application to the program. Please use the form attached to send to your recommender, and ask that the form be returned by February 15.

This form can be mailed to the address below, or scanned and emailed directly from the recommender to gradadmission@plu.edu

6) A nomination from your district superintendent in support of your application for scholarship. Please use the form attached to send to your district superintendent, and ask that the form be returned by February 15. This form can be mailed to the address below, or scanned and emailed directly from the recommender to gradadmission@plu.edu

Send or email to:
Graduate Programs and Continuing Education
Pacific Lutheran University
12180 Park Avenue South
Tacoma, WA 98447
Email: gradadmission@plu.edu
Phone: 253-535-8570
APPLICATION FORM

Name (Last, First): ____________________________________________________________

Program Year: __________________________________________________________________

Employer: _______________________________________________________________________

Do you have tuition assistance through your employer? Yes  No

Please list other financial assistance you are receiving in order to attend PLU
(include information about loans and other aid from all sources):
____________________________________________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________________________________

Scholarship Essay Question:

Please write an essay on the following topic and send it with this form via mail or email. The essay should be no longer than 5 double-spaced pages.

What is your vision as a leader in the education community?

Statement of Understanding

The information on this form is accurate. Also by signing this form, I authorize PLU to verify the above information. If at any time, the information on this form is deemed falsified by me, I understand that my financial assistance from PLU may be revoked and I may be dismissed from the program.

Signature: ___________________________________________________________ Date __________
(if sending via email, your typed signature and email submission of the form will serve as your signature)

Send or email to:
Graduate Programs and Continuing Education
Pacific Lutheran University
12180 Park Avenue South
Tacoma, WA 98447
Email: gradadmission@plu.edu
Phone: 253-535-8570
Recommendation for Graduate Scholarship

This portion to be completed by applicant

Please fill out your portion of the recommendation form and give the form to the recommender.

Name of Applicant (Last, First): ________________________________

Mailing Address of Applicant: ________________________________

Daytime Phone for Applicant: ________________________________

Applicant Email Address: ________________________________

Anticipated start date: Summer ________________________________

Confidentiality: In accordance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), this letter may be viewed by the applicant as part of the admission file, post-matriculation or at the discretion of the department.

I hereby give notice to my recommender that I may have access to this recommendation, if I am admitted and matriculated.

Signature __________________________ Date __________
(if sending via email, your typed signature and email submission of the form will serve as your signature)

This portion to be completed by recommender

This applicant is applying for a graduate scholarship for an education leadership program at PLU. Please attach a letter of recommendation addressing the applicant’s promise as a leader in the education community. The letter can be attached to an email and returned along with this form to gradadmission@plu.edu or mailed to: Graduate Programs, Pacific Lutheran University, 12180 Park Ave. S, Tacoma WA, 98847

Name of Respondent (Last, First): ___________________________________________________________________

Address: ___________________________________________________________________________________________

Daytime Phone: ____________________________________________

Email: ____________________________________________________

Employer / Organization: _____________________________________________________________________________

Position: ________________________________________________________________________________________

What has been your relationship to the applicant? (Check as many as apply)

___ Instructor   ___ Academic Advisor   ___ Employer / Supervisor ___ Other (please indicate:____________)

As far as you know, do undergraduate grades give an accurate evaluation of the applicant's academic potential for graduate work?

___ No basis for judgment   ___ Grades underrate potential ___ Grades correctly reflect potential ___ Grades overrate potential

Signature: __________________________ Date __________
(if sending via email, your typed signature and email submission of the form will serve as your signature)
**District Nomination for Graduate Scholarship**

This portion to be completed by applicant

Please fill out your portion of the recommendation form and give the form to the recommender.

Name of Applicant (Last, First): ____________________________________________

Mailing Address of Applicant: ____________________________________________

Daytime Phone for Applicant: ____________________________________________

Applicant Email Address: ____________________________________________

Anticipated start date: Summer ____________________________________________

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Signature: __________________________________________________________________ Date __________

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This portion to be completed by the Superintendent (or designee)

This applicant is applying for a graduate scholarship for an education leadership program at PLU. No written comments are necessary, but you may attach a letter of recommendation if desired. Please submit to gradadmission@plu.edu or mail to: Graduate Programs, Pacific Lutheran University, 12180 Park Ave. S, Tacoma WA, 98847

Name of Superintendent or designee (Last, First): ____________________________________________

Employer/Organization/District: ____________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________

Position: ____________________________________________

Daytime Phone: ____________________________________________

Email: ____________________________________________

What has been your relationship to the applicant? (Check as many as apply)

__ Employer / Supervisor __ Other (please indicate:____________________________)

Do you recommend this applicant for a leadership program? __yes __no

Optional - Provide additional comments here and/or a letter of recommendation can be attached:

________________________________________________________________________________________

________________________________________________________________________________________

Signature: __________________________________________________________________ Date __________

(if sending via email, your typed signature and email submission of the form will serve as your signature)