

# Alumni Leadership Scholarship 2015-2016

Sponsored by the Lewis & Clark College Board of Alumni

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The Alumni Leadership Scholarship will recognize and reward outstanding students who show leadership potential, actively participate in the Lewis & Clark community, and who want to create meaningful connections between students and alumni. To be eligible for this scholarship, you must be a current freshman, sophomore, or junior at Lewis & Clark College and considered in good academic standing. This year, *five* scholarships in the amount of \$1,200 each, \$600 per semester, will be awarded. In addition, each scholar will have an opportunity to participate in alumni events and interact with the Board of Alumni to benefit career and professional development and build stronger connections with the alumni community.

It is anticipated that each recipient will take an active part in the Student Alumni Association and will serve as an ambassador between current students and alumni. The SAA ambassadors help plan and execute meaningful events for students and alumni, and increase the connections between the Alumni Association, Board of Alumni, the office of Alumni & Parent Programs, and current students. Students that excel as SAA Ambassadors will be considered for renewal each year until they graduate. Participation requirements begin in April after scholarships are awarded and continue through May of the following year.

## EXPECTATIONS:

- Attend monthly meetings, spring training/orientation and fall retreat.
- Take a leadership role in at least one SAA event each year.
- Assist another SAA Ambassador with at least one project each semester.
- Take a leadership role in Homecoming and Parents Weekend (October 16-18, 2015). Ambassadors must be available during this entire weekend to help with this signature event and act as representatives of the student body to alumni and parents. Ambassadors are also expected to recruit student volunteers for Homecoming hospitality.
- Participate in all other major events with SAA involvement (Mind the Gap, Alumni Honors Banquet, Board of Alumni meetings, President's Holiday Reception and Careers for Pioneers).

*Applications are due by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 23, 2014. Late applications will not be accepted!*

## TO APPLY:

1. Fill out the application page.
2. Answer the three essay prompts found on the next page. Please type your responses. Applications with numerous grammatical or spelling errors will be disqualified. Incomplete applications will be disqualified as well.
3. Attach a resume that includes work and internship experiences, volunteer service, and student organizations/extra-curricular activities.
4. Include reference contact information **or** a letter of recommendation. For students of sophomore standing and above we encourage faculty references or letters of recommendation.
5. Submit your *completed application packet* to Ginger Moshofsky in the office of Alumni & Parent Programs:
  - via **email** to [ginger@lclark.edu](mailto:ginger@lclark.edu) or
  - **in person** to the Alumni Gatehouse between 8:30 am and 5 pm Monday-Friday

*If you have questions, call 503.768.7444 or email [ginger@lclark.edu](mailto:ginger@lclark.edu)*

**To learn more about the scholarship, benefits, requirements, and past recipients, please visit:**  
**[www.lclark.edu/college/offices/alumni/scholarship/](http://www.lclark.edu/college/offices/alumni/scholarship/)**

*Alumni Leadership Scholarship Application*  
*Applications are due by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 23, 2015.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

MSC \_\_\_\_\_ Best phone number to be reached at \_\_\_\_\_

Class year ("X" next to correct year): \_\_\_\_ First-Year / \_\_\_\_ Sophomore / \_\_\_\_ Junior / \_\_\_\_ Senior

(Please note, only seniors who intend to enroll in courses for two or more semesters are eligible)

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Major/s \_\_\_\_\_ Minor/s \_\_\_\_\_

**I have read and understand the expectations and obligations of being an Alumni Leadership Scholarship recipient. I agree to the tasks as described. Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**You can either provide a reference OR a letter of recommendation.**

Faculty references or letters of recommendation are encouraged.

Reference:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**ESSAY PROMPTS:**

*Please keep your answers to 500 words or less.*

1. Tell us about your experience at Lewis & Clark so far. What interests you academically and why did you choose L&C? How are you involved outside the classroom? How have you demonstrated leadership and what mark do you hope to leave on the institution? What are you thinking about doing after you graduate?
2. Several themes and values unite the L&C community of students, alumni, faculty, and friends: uncommon journeys, global and local engagement, connection to Portland and lifelong learning. What do these ideas mean to you? How do those ideas relate to your thoughts about how to bring the students and alumni closer together and increase the bond of the Lewis & Clark community?
3. The Student Alumni Association's mission is to create and strengthen connections in the Lewis & Clark community by developing meaningful programs for students and alumni. Using these programs, we wish to encourage lifelong connections between our alma mater, current students, alumni, faculty and staff.

What does it mean to be involved in the L&C community as an active alumnus/a, and why is it important? If you receive the scholarship, how would you contribute to the Student Alumni Association and student-alumni events? Do you have great ideas for new SAA projects? Do you want to benefit existing programs and events by developing a student-alumni component? How can you envision publicizing SAA events? Please explain; it is helpful if you give specific examples.

**Your application will be reviewed by a committee composed of Board of Alumni members and/or other alumni. The same group will conduct the interviews. Interviews will be conducted in person or via Skype (for those not in Portland at that time.) Interviews are not recorded.**