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Fall 2010 Graduate Financial Resources Newsletter

The Graduate Financial Resources Newsletter provides both current and prospective graduate students of Marywood University with information on Marywood University scholarships, assistantships, and loan programs.

Scholarships for Graduate Students Seeking Master's Degrees, Educational Specialist Degrees, or Certifications (Not School of Social Work Students, Speech-Language Pathology Students, and Physician Assistant Students)

Marywood University awards a number of scholarships each year to graduate students on the basis of academic promise, and professional focus and commitment. Scholarships are available to both full-time and part-time students. Full-time status scholarship recipients must take nine credits or more per semester to maintain their scholarship. Part-time status scholarship recipients must take at least six credits each semester, both Fall and Spring, to receive scholarship funds.

The application deadline for these scholarships is February 14, 2010. You must apply on-line at the financial aid section of the Marywood University website, http://www.marywood.edu/grad_finaid/finance.stm.

Marywood University Master of Arts in Teaching and Certification in Secondary/K-12 Education Program Scholarships

Marywood University will provide \$6,000 merit scholarships to new graduate students that meet the following scholarship eligibility requirements:

The student must have the academic goal of completing both the MAT Secondary/K-12 Education degree and an initial secondary/K-12 instructional certification simultaneously.

The student must have achieved a 3.40 or greater cumulative undergraduate QPA. Further, the undergraduate major completed by the prospective applicant must be related closely to his or her initial certification program of study.

Prospective students may receive consideration for these scholarships by having a complete admissions application in the Office of Graduate Admissions not later than February 14, 2010. Further students must complete the 2010-2011 Graduate Scholarship Application for Master's Degree, Educational Specialist Degree, and Post Baccalaureate Certification Students and the required essay electronically by February 14, 2010. These electronic documents may be found at the financial aid section of the Marywood University website, http://www.marywood.edu/grad_finaid/finance.stm.

Graduate Speech-Language Pathology Program Scholarships for 2010-2011

The graduate admission application serves as the scholarship application for prospective graduate students of the Speech-Language Pathology Program. The departmental academic progress file serves as the scholarship application for current graduate students in the Speech-Language

Pathology Program. There are no other documentation obligations for scholarship consideration for prospective and current Speech-Language Pathology Program students.

Prospective Speech-Language Pathology Program students should adhere closely to the graduate admission application deadline. Scholarship notification letters will be mailed in early April 2010 to current Speech-Language Pathology Program graduate students. Prospective students will receive scholarship notification letters with their admission acceptance packet.

Prospective and current graduate students of the Speech-Language Pathology Program who wish to be considered for graduate assistantship will use the Master's Degree and Post-Baccalaureate Assistantship Application.

Graduate Physician Assistant Program Scholarships for 2010-2011

The graduate admission application serves as the scholarship application for prospective graduate students of the Physician Assistant Program. The departmental academic progress file serves as the scholarship application for current graduate students in the Physician Assistant Program. There are no other documentation obligations for scholarship consideration for prospective and current Physician Assistant Program graduate students.

Prospective Physician Assistant Program students should adhere closely to the graduate admission application deadline. Scholarship notification letters will be mailed in March 2010 to current Physician Assistant Program graduate students. Prospective students will receive scholarship notification letters with their admission acceptance packet.

Prospective and current Physician Assistant Program graduate students will not be considered for graduate assistantships. The schedule and intensity of Physician Assistant Program studies are not compatible with the requirements and expectations of graduate assistantships.

Assistantships for Graduate Students Seeking Master's Degrees, Educational Specialist Degrees, or Certifications

Marywood University provides graduate assistantships that are designed to further the educational goals of full-time graduate students in an environment of academic excellence. Graduate assistants serve Marywood University by working with the faculty to advance research or with professional staff to enhance services.

Assistantships with twenty work hours per week afford tuition remission for eighteen graduate credits and a full assistantship monthly stipend. Assistantships with ten work hours per week offer tuition remission for nine graduate credits per academic year and one-half of the full assistantship monthly stipend.

The deadline for these assistantships is February 14, 2010. You must submit your resume in Microsoft Word in the financial aid section of the Marywood University website, http://www.marywood.edu/grad_finaid/finance.stm.

School of Social Work Merit Scholarship Program for 2010-2011

The graduate admission application serves as the academic merit scholarship application for prospective students to the School of Social Work. The departmental academic progress file serves as the scholarship application for current graduate students in the School of Social Work. There are no other documentation obligations for merit scholarship consideration for prospective and current School of Social Work graduate students.

Prospective School of Social Work graduate students should adhere closely to the graduate admission application deadline. Prospective students selected to receive a merit scholarship will be notified soon after they receive their admission acceptance packet.

Prospective and current graduate students of the School of Social Work Program who wish to be considered for graduate assistantship will use the Master's Degree and Post-Baccalaureate Assistantship Application.

School of Social Work Financial Aid

Graduate students in the School of Social Work qualify for financial aid awards on the basis of documented financial need. The application deadline for these financial aid awards is April 15, 2010 for the 2010-2011 academic year. You must apply on-line at the financial aid section of the Marywood University website, http://www.marywood.edu/grad_finaid/finance.stm.

Prospective and current graduate students for the Central Pennsylvania School of Social Work Program on the Bloomsburg Campus are not eligible for need-based aid. Marywood University provides a discounted tuition package to all students of the Central Pennsylvania Program.

School of Social Work Social Justice Incentive Scholarships

The Social Justice Incentive Scholarships are available only to master's degree students in their advanced practice year in the Marywood University School of Social Work. Successful applicants for these scholarships must have an interest in social justice practice and preparation for practicum-based learning in a setting emphasizing social justice.

Social Justice Incentive Scholarships have an application deadline of April 15, 2010. You must apply on-line at the financial aid section of the Marywood website, http://www.marywood.edu/grad_finaid/finance.stm.

Ph.D. Human Development Doctoral Program Scholarships

Ph.D. Human Development Doctoral Program Scholarships have an application deadline of April 15, 2010 for the 2010-2011 academic year. You must apply on-line at the financial aid section of the Marywood University website, http://www.marywood.edu/grad_finaid/finance.stm.

Ph.D Human Development Doctoral Program Assistantships

Ph.D. Human Development Doctoral Program Assistantships have an application deadline of April 15, 2010 for the 2010-2011 academic year. You must apply on-line at the financial aid section of the Marywood University website, http://www.marywood.edu/grad_finaid/finance.stm.

Psy.D. Clinical Psychology Doctoral Program Scholarships

The graduate admission application serves as the scholarship application for prospective doctoral students of the Clinical Psychology Program. The departmental academic progress file serves as the scholarship application for current doctoral students in the Clinical Psychology Program. There are no other documentation obligations for scholarship consideration for prospective and current doctoral students of the Clinical Psychology Program.

Prospective doctoral students of the Clinical Psychology Program should adhere closely to the graduate admission application deadline. Scholarship notification letters will be mailed in May 2010 to both prospective and current doctoral students of the Clinical Psychology Program.

Psy.D. Clinical Psychology Doctoral Program Assistantships are awarded through an internal departmental process.

Federal Student Loan Programs

To apply for a Federal Stafford student loan, complete a Fall/Spring Student Loan Request Form and a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Both forms with their deadline information are accessible from the financial aid section of the Marywood website, http://www.marywood.edu/fin_aid/forms.stm.

Federal Subsidized Stafford Student Loan. Under this program, matriculating graduate students enrolled on at least a half-time basis (minimum of six credits per semester) can borrow up to \$8,500 per academic year. Eligibility for the subsidized portion of the loan is based upon a federal eligibility formula.

Federal Unsubsidized Stafford Student Loan. Under this program, matriculating graduate students enrolled on at least a half-time basis (minimum of six credits per semester) can borrow up to \$12,000 in addition to the Federal Subsidized Stafford Student Loan per academic year. Unlike the Federal Subsidized Stafford Student Loan, borrowers do not have to demonstrate financial need for the Federal Unsubsidized Stafford Student Loan. The approved loan amount can never exceed the actual cost of education less any other scholarships, grants, employer reimbursement, or loans received.

Marywood University uses the Borrower-Based Academic Year policy for the processing of all federal student loans. The Borrower-Based Academic Year is individualized for each borrower and may begin any time within the scheduled academic year. Included in the Borrower-Based Academic Year are only those terms in which the matriculating student was enrolled on at least a half-time basis, a minimum of six credits.

Questions about the various student loan programs may be directed to the Office of Financial Aid, LAC 85, 570-348-6225, finaid@marywood.edu.