LGBTQIA Leadershi

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Scholarship Application

The UMKC LGBTQIA (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex, asexual, and ally) Leadership Scholarships supports all students regardless of gender or sexual diversity, who are or will be enrolled in any undergraduate degree program at UMKC. The scholarship seeks to award students who have demonstrated leadership and/or involvement toward the advancement of LGBTQIA equity and inclusion and UMKC or in their community. Eligible students will a) worked toward the advancement of LGBTQIA equity through leadership efforts, inside and/or outside of the classroom environment, b) demonstrate continued or future efforts to improve the experience of the LGBTQIA community at UMKC, c) be in good academic standing, d) be enrolled full-time, and e) demonstrate financial need (through the FAFSA). These efforts include but are not limited to:

- Working to establish an informed and civically engaged LGBTQIA community at UMKC.
- Actions to educate the non-LGBTQIA community on the daily-lived experiences of the LGBTQIA community at UMKC or local community.
- Efforts to educate, inform, and engage the UMKC community about the intersecting identities that make up the UMKC LGBTQIA community.

If selected as a LGBTQIA Leadership Scholar, recipients will need to demonstrate continued involvement in a number of campus or community engagement opportunities. These may include:

- Serving as a peer educator on campus LGBTQIA Speakers Bureau panels.
- Maintaining a leadership position in an LGBTQIA student organization.
- Serving as a volunteer in the Rainbow Lounge.
- Demonstrating volunteer commitments to campus or community LGBTQIA support organizations.
- Organizing LGBTQIA inclusive programs in collaboration with LGBTQIA Programs & Services.

When applying, please fill out the application below, and submit the following items:

- A completed application.
- One letter of recommendation from an advisor, teacher, or mentor.
- A personal essay demonstrating your LGBTQIA leadership efforts through involvement, education, or engagement toward LGBTQIA advancement and inclusion. Also indicating goals for future UMKC leadership endeavors.

Application Checklist

Scholarship Application  Personal Essay  Letter of Rec

DUE DATE:

Current (Returning) Students: April 1 (priority)
Incoming Students: July 15 (priority)
I, ___________________________________________, (printed name) hereby authorize the University of Missouri-Kansas City to release information connected to my progress as a student. I understand and agree this may include:

- My major field
- My cumulative GPA
- My awards and/or organization participation
- Any general comments on my contributions to the University.

Student Signature: ____________________________ Date: ________________