

APPLICATION FOR HISTORY SECTION UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2020-2021

Eastern Michigan University Department of History & Philosophy

This application is for all History Section endowed undergraduate scholarships. Awards will be applied to EMU tuition and fees. Typically, over \$21,000 of the endowed scholarships are awarded to deserving students within the range of \$1,000-\$5,000 per student for the academic year. Decisions will be disclosed at the 2020 History & Philosophy Honors Reception on Tuesday, March 31st, 4:30-6:30pm. in Room 310 A, in the Student Center.

Eligibility and award criteria

To apply you must:

- Be a major or minor in a History Section program: History, Social Studies and History for Secondary Education, Social Studies and Political Science for Secondary Education, Social Studies and Geography for Secondary Education, Social Studies and Economics for Secondary Education, History and Geography for Secondary Education, African Studies, Area Studies-Latin America, Area Studies-Middle East and North Africa, Asian Studies, Continental European Studies, Religious Studies, and Social Studies.
- Have an overall GPA of at least 3.0 including Fall 2019 classes.
- Have completed at least **three** History courses, **two** of which **must** be from EMU-(the two EMU History classes **must** be completed by the time you apply).
- Be a junior or senior next year (2020-2021), registered for at least 12 semester hours at EMU during **either** Fall 2019 **or** Winter 2020. Students working for a second Bachelor degree or post-Bachelor certification are eligible to apply, but preference will be given to those working on their first Bachelor's degree.

Applications will be judged on academic merit, as determined from grades (**overall** and in **History** coursework), faculty recommendations, and your essay. For the York Scholarship, you must have demonstrated financial need, as determined by the Office of Financial Aid; you must have a FAFSA on file to be considered for a York Scholarship. If you qualify for more than one major scholarship, you will be awarded the largest one.

Directions for completing the application

Please word-process your application, including the essays, and keep a copy of your application.

The **four** parts of the application are:

1. Two or More Letters of Recommendation sent directly by faculty members. Allow reasonable time for faculty to write letters for you. At least one letter should be from a History faculty member. Any others may be from either History or another academic department. **Ask your referees to send the letters to: Richard Nation, Chair: History Student Affairs Committee, Department of History and Philosophy, 701 Pray-Harrold--not to the Office of Financial Aid.**
2. The Application for History Section Scholarships (attached to these instructions)
 - a. Sign and date the form.

3. The Essay
 - a. Write your **Essay** carefully. Content and style are important in judging your application. Include references to your interest in historical studies now and for the future. The essay may be single-or double-spaced.
4. A Copy of your Academic Transcript, which should list all your courses and grades including Fall 2019 classes.

Directions for submitting your application

Submit all parts of your completed application to the Department Secretary in the History & Philosophy Department office, 701 Pray-Harrold by **5:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 4, 2020**. Ask for a signed receipt when turning in the application. *Applying through our department is the only way to compete for History Section scholarships.*

If you have questions, call the Department office at 734-487-1018 or contact Richard Nation at rnation@emich.edu.

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Name _____ Student Number _____

Local Address _____

Email: _____ Telephone _____

Major _____ Minor _____

Are you planning to be certified as a teacher? _____

Grade point average at the end of Fall 2019:

Overall _____ In History coursework _____

Class standing on December 31, 2019: Senior ____ Junior ____ Sophomore ____

Expected Month, Semester and Year of graduation: _____

Indicate your anticipated semester hours course load going forward:

Fall 2020 _____ Winter 2021 _____

Will you be student teaching? _____ If so, which semester? _____

In what field do you expect to do your student teaching? _____

List the names and amounts of all scholarships larger than \$400 for which you have applied, may apply for, or that may be automatically awarded to you for Fall 2020, Winter 2021, or both.

Which faculty members will be writing recommendations for you?

Have you established that you have a financial need with the Office of Financial Aid by submitting your FAFSA for 2020-2021? (If you answer no, you cannot be considered for a York Scholarship) Yes ____ No ____

If yes, may we ask the Office of Financial Aid whether you have financial need? Yes ____ No ____

Signature _____ Date _____

ESSAY

Write a 1-2 page essay (double spaced) where you address the following questions:

- Why are you applying for a History Section scholarship?
- Why are you interested in the discipline of history?
- What are your future career plans?

Please print out the essay and attach it to this form, along with your transcript.