Southern Methodist University
Friends of the SMU Libraries/Colophon

Library Scholarship
Application Guidelines

The Friends of the SMU Libraries/Colophon has established an annual scholarship of $1,000 for SMU library full-time staff members and student library employees who wish to become librarians. The Friends established this scholarship in the fall of 1998 and awarded the first scholarship in May 1999.

Eligible individuals should have applied to, been accepted in or enrolled in an American Library accredited library and information science degree program. Applicants should have contributed to the goals of the SMU Libraries and shall have a strong record of performance and have demonstrated interest and capability in providing excellent services to the SMU community.

TO BE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP:

A. Applicants must be current full-time library staff or library student employees of SMU Libraries.

B. Applicants must be employed by the SMU Libraries for six months or longer prior to applying for the Scholarship.

REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THIS APPLICATION:

1. Applicants shall submit a letter of recommendation from their current supervisor.

2. Applicants shall submit an additional letter of recommendation from another member of the library staff or SMU faculty.

3. Applicants shall submit a brief essay of no more than two double spaced pages demonstrating their commitment to excellence in libraries and librarianship.

4. Applicants shall submit proof of acceptance or enrollment in an ALA accredited program of library and information science.

5. An applicant who has completed courses in a graduate library and information science degree program at the time of application must submit a copy of a current transcript for all graduate library and information science courses completed.

Applications and all accompanying materials will be kept confidential and reviewed only by members of the Friends Library Scholarship Committee.

For additional information call 214-768-1939 or e-mail acarver@smu.edu.
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Application Form

DATE__________________

NAME OF APPLICANT___________________________________________PHONE_____________

SMU LIBRARY AND DEPT.__________________________________________

NAME OF CURRENT SUPERVISOR_____________________________________

EMPLOYED IN LIBRARY SINCE_______________________________________

CHECKLIST OF MATERIALS TO ATTACH

1. Letter of recommendation from current supervisor
2. Letter of recommendation from another SMU library staff or faculty member
3. Essay on applicant’s commitment to librarianship
4. Proof of acceptance or enrollment in an ALA accredited degree program in library and information science
5. (If applicable) Copy of transcript of grades for completed graduate courses in library and information science

Application Deadline: April 16, 2020

Send all applications to: Friends of the SMU Libraries  
c/o Amy Carver  
SMU Box 750135  
Dallas TX  75275-0153

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