

## 2009 – 2010 COLLEGE OF EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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All eligible Temple University College of Education students are welcome to apply for scholarships administered by the Office of Development and Alumni Affairs. Support for students is essential to sustaining the success of the College of Education. Scholarships and awards help the College to attract and retain the brightest students, many of whom would not be able to continue their studies without financial support.

Scholarships and awards are available on a competitive basis to help students. Total scholarships are distributed over two semesters; half in the Fall 2009 and half in the Spring 2010 semesters. However, if the student is graduating in Fall 2009, the scholarship will be awarded in full for the semester.

### ***Eligibility Requirements***

The following eligibility requirements must be met:

- Applicant must be a matriculated student of the College of Education
- Applicant must have demonstrated financial need (financial aid eligibility will be verified)
- Applicant must have a minimum of a 3.0 cumulative GPA

### ***How to Apply***

Download a copy of the application and instructions on how to submit your application by the deadline date.

**In addition to completing the College of Education Scholarship application, students interested in applying for the Smith Scholarship must also complete the additional questions on page 4.**

### ***How Scholarships are Awarded***

The College determines scholarship on the basis of financial need, motivation for learning and the potential for active participation in one's community. Please note, if you have received a College of Education scholarship in the past, we strongly encourage you not replicate your answers from past applications.

### ***Application Deadline***

**The deadline for submitting all scholarship applications is 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 9, 2009.**

Deliver your completed application to: Pamela Mickles, Administrative Coordinator, Development and Alumni Affairs, Dean's Suite, 245 Ritter Hall (2<sup>nd</sup> floor) / Phone 215 – 204 – 6079 / Email pmickles@temple.edu

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**DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2009**

*To insure that your application is complete, please return this checklist with your application.*  
**INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

CUMULATIVE GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL CREDITS EARNED (to date - include transfer credits): \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF YOUR HIGH SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION OR GED DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

UNDERGRADUATE INSTITUTION: \_\_\_\_\_ EXPECTED T.U. GRADUATION DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you or a member of your immediate family work for Temple University?** \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)  
(If yes, Name of Temple University employee): \_\_\_\_\_

- PLEASE CHECK THIS BOX IF YOU ARE GRADUATING IN THE FALL OF 2009.**
- Please check this box if you have been awarded a College of Education scholarship in prior years.**

If so, identify the scholarship & year in which you were awarded: \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS APPLICATION PACKET INCLUDES:**

1. \_\_\_ Short Essay Question 1
2. \_\_\_ Short Essay Question 2
3. \_\_\_ Essay Question
4. \_\_\_ Optional Essay
5. \_\_\_ Copy of your Student Financial Aid Report (can be printed from OWLnet)

**TUID:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MAJOR:** \_\_\_\_\_

- PLEASE CHECK THIS BOX IF YOU ARE APPLYING FOR THE ROBERT J. SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND.**

**FOR APPLICANTS TO THE SMITH SCHOLARSHIP ONLY:**

1. \_\_\_ Smith Scholarship Question 1
2. \_\_\_ Smith Scholarship Question 2
3. \_\_\_ Smith Scholarship Question 3
4. \_\_\_ Letter of Recommendation

I hereby acknowledge that the information I have submitted is true and accurate. I further acknowledge that false information will render my application ineligible for scholarship consideration.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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**For Office Use Only:**

**Date received:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Time received:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

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### **DIRECTIONS FOR ALL APPLICANTS:**

1. All applicants must answer the following questions. **INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**
2. Type your answers on a separate sheet of paper. **Only your TUID and question should be included on each sheet of paper you include in your application.**
3. Deliver your completed application to: Pamela Mickles, Administrative Coordinator, Development and Alumni Affairs, Dean's Suite, 245 Ritter Hall (2<sup>nd</sup> floor) / Phone 215 – 204 – 6079 / Email pmickles@temple.edu.

### **FOR NEW APPLICANTS**

#### **SHORT ESSAY QUESTIONS:** (*approximately 250 words for each question*)

1. Describe your educational path. How did you get to where you are today? What are your educational goals, and how does Temple University fit into them?
2. What do you do when you're not in class? Tell us about your activities: clubs, internships, volunteering, work, hobbies. Which of the activities are you most passionate about?

#### **ESSAY QUESTION:** (*maximum 500 words*)

Describe an educational issue of local or national concern. Why is this issue important to you? How do you think it should be addressed?

### **FOR PREVIOUS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**

#### **SHORT ESSAY QUESTIONS:** (*approximately 250 words for each question*)

*In addition to your TUID and question, please include the name of the scholarship you received and the year on each sheet.*

1. What do you see as the biggest dilemma facing education today?
2. How will obtaining your degree help you to make a difference in the field of education?

#### **ESSAY QUESTION:** (*maximum 500 words*)

Twenty-five years after *A Nation at Risk*, what should the next Secretary of Education focus on in order to advance the standing of the U.S. education system in the global marketplace?

### **FOR ALL APPLICANTS**

#### **OPTIONAL ESSAY QUESTION:** (*maximum 250 words*)

If there is something you would like us to know about you that you have not mentioned thus far in your application, please take this opportunity to share it on an attached sheet. Feel free to use this opportunity to describe any academic or non-academic awards you may have received.

## **ROBERT J. SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The College of Education is pleased and honored to announce the establishment of the **ROBERT J. SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**. Robert J. Smith grew up in Philadelphia, attended Philadelphia public schools, graduated from Temple University (Business and Education), taught in Philadelphia schools, experienced the turmoil of integration and busing\*, and truly cared for his students, many of whom were from the poorest neighborhoods. (*\*the transporting of public-schools students by bus to schools outside their neighborhoods, especially as a means of achieving racial balance.*)

The purpose of the **ROBERT J. SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** is to provide scholarships for students majoring in education who have significant financial need and have demonstrated a previous commitment to urban communities and who indicate an interest or desire to teach in urban school districts. *The **Smith Scholarship** is renewable, based on recipient's performance (maintaining at least a 3.0 GPA) and commitment to urban education in Philadelphia.* **Finalists for the Smith Scholarship will be notified and interviewed in Spring 2009.**

**In addition to completing the College of Education Scholarship application, students interested in applying for the Smith Scholarship must also complete the following:**

- Submit essays to the following questions.
- Submit a letter of recommendation from a faculty member in the College of Education or from a Community College or High School teacher.

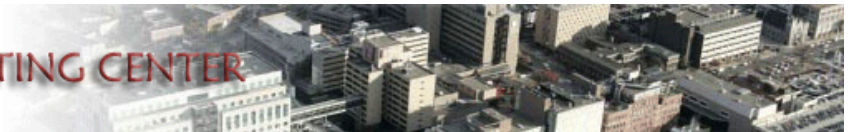
**SMITH SCHOLARSHIP QUESTIONS:** (*approximately 250 words for each question*)

1. What personal experiences have you had, or are you aware of, that helped form your commitment to Urban Education?
2. What do you consider to be unique hurdles faced by urban educators, and how might these hurdles be surmounted?
3. Why is it vital to improve urban education efforts?

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***Remember, the quality of your essay counts! Use the resources available to you at Temple University.***

**TEMPLE UNIVERSITY WRITING CENTER**



**Schedule one-on-one appointments with tutors to get help with your scholarship application at the Temple University Writing Center - <http://www.temple.edu/writingctr/>**

The writing center's mission is to foster a rich and productive environment for writing at Temple. Writing serves basic evaluative functions that are central to the work of the university: students use writing to demonstrate that they've read assigned texts, and faculty use writing to grade and rank students. Through their work, they try to create an environment that values the connection between writing and knowledge production, and that embraces the powerful role writing plays in social, cultural and political life.

How to use them: *Browse for handouts, tip sheets, and writing guides; schedule one on one tutoring sessions to work on your scholarship application or register for in-center workshops.*