Division of Online and Continuing Education
Scholarship Requirements 2013-2014

Filing Deadline: April 1, 2013

Continuing Education Dean's Scholarship

The Continuing Education Dean's Scholarship awards are for $1,000 and may be continued on a semester basis, conditional upon satisfactory academic performance. The maximum length of the award is 4 semesters.

Leo F. King Scholarship

The Dean Leo F. King Scholarship is available as an annual award for adult learners who are returning to higher education.

Professor Bernard and Diana Shapiro Scholarship

The Shapiro scholarship is a merit scholarship that is awarded annually to a student enrolled in an undergraduate degree program through the Division of Online and Continuing Education.

Professor Emeritus Bernard Shapiro began teaching at the University in 1962 and retired from the Mathematics Department in 1996. He continued to work at the University as an evening supervisor and advisor in the Division of Online and Continuing Education until his retirement in 2011.

His wife, Diana (Yana) Shapiro, worked in the Division of Online and Continuing Education from 1975 until her retirement in 1996 and then continued to work in OCE on a part-time basis until her retirement in 2012.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Applicant must be out of high school at least five years.
2. Applicant does not have to meet federal guidelines for Financial Aid. However, the applicant must file a FAFSA with the Financial Aid Office.
3. The applicant must be enrolled in an undergraduate degree program in the Division of Online and Continuing Education and demonstrate a clear sense of purpose for pursuing his/her degree at UMass Lowell.
4. The applicant must have a Cumulative GPA of 3.2 or higher.
5. The applicant will have completed at least 24 or more credits at UML towards an undergraduate degree as of September 2012.

6. During the 2013-2014 academic year the applicant must be enrolled in at least 6 credits of course work per semester (Fall and Spring terms).

If you meet the above requirements, you are eligible to apply for a scholarship through the Division of Online and Continuing Education.

Scholarship restrictions: If a scholarship winner withdraws from the University, the remainder of his/her scholarship will be forfeited and not renewable.

Finalists will be selected by a committee and may be invited to meet with representatives of this committee in April. Announcement of these scholarships will be made at the annual Alpha Sigma Lambda National Honor Society Induction Ceremony. The Scholarship will take effect for the first semester of the following academic year (Fall 2013).
Division of Online and Continuing Education Scholarship Application
2013-2014 Student Application - Deadline for filing: April 1, 2013

Congratulations on deciding to apply for a scholarship through the Division of Online and Continuing Education. Applicants will be considered for the Continuing Education Dean’s Scholarship, the Bernard and Diana Shapiro Scholarship and the Leo F. King Scholarship. In order to ensure that your application is eligible for consideration for these awards, please be sure to do the following:

___ Review the scholarship requirements to determine if you are eligible to apply.

___ Print and complete this form.

___ Submit your short essay as described below.

___ Obtain a letter of recommendation from a UMass Lowell faculty member, program coordinator or advisor.

All materials must be received by April 1, 2013 for your application to be considered. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

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Date                        ISIS ID Number

Last Name (please print)    First Name          Middle Initial

Street Address

City, State, Zip Code       Phone Number       Email Address

Anticipated Graduation Date Major       Cumulative GPA

If you have financial aid for the current year (2012-2013), please list the amount and types of federal, state, institutional, or other aid you are receiving (including loans, tuition reimbursement, and waivers)

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Are you a transfer student? If so, how many credits were transferred to UMass Lowell?

Previous College(s) Attended and Dates:

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Occupation:__________________________________________________________________________

Employer:____________________________________________________________________________

Professional Memberships, Volunteer Activities:______________________________________________

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IMPORTANT Essay Requirement: Please provide a short essay describing your academic and career interests; your impression of the experiences at UMass Lowell; your personal interests; and why you are applying for these scholarships.

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Signature _______________________________ Date ________________________________

Return your completed application to:

University of Massachusetts Lowell
Division of Online and Continuing Education
Southwick Hall Room 203
Lowell, MA 01854
Attn: Ryan Masson, Continuing Education Scholarship Committee