2015-16 CSU Systemwide Scholarship Opportunities

Wilson C. Riles Education Scholarship

Complete application packets are due to the Financial Aid and Scholarships Office by April 17, 2015

Scholarship Eligibility requires the following:
- Minimum 3.0 GPA
- Financial need as determined by the completion of the 2015-16 FAFSA application
- Part-time enrollment (6 units) as a College of Education Credential student for the fall 2015 and spring 2016 semesters at Cal State San Marcos

Application Packet requires the following:
- Applicant Information Form (attached)
- Personal Statement (instructions attached)
- Thank you letter addressed to Mrs. Mary Louise Riles (widow of Superintendent Riles)

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WILSON C. RILES
EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

Working his way through public instruction, Wilson C. Riles began his career in 1940 as a
teacher and administrator in Arizona public schools and later became the first elected African
American state superintendent of schools in the United States.

The scholarship program was established in 2003 to recognize Superintendent Riles’ deep
commitment to education through support of students enrolled in California State University
teacher credential programs, with preference given to first generation college students. The
scholarships rotate among all 23 campuses on an alphabetical basis.

Six (6) $1,000 scholarships will be awarded for the 2015-2016 academic year.

- Recipients must be currently enrolled in the teacher credential program at
  California State University San Marcos
  Sonoma State University
  California State University, Stanislaus
  California State University, Bakersfield
  California State University Channel Islands
  California State University, Chico
- The minimum enrollment requirement is 6.0 units.
- The minimum grade point average is 3.0.

Applications are available through the campus Financial Aid Office.

Each eligible campus may select one recipient based on the recommendation of teaching
credential program faculty. Once a decision has been reached, the Financial Aid Office sends a
letter of notification to the CSU Foundation, along with the documents described below.

Completed applications submitted by the campus Financial Aid Office to the CSU Foundation
include the following:

- Scholarship Applicant Information form
- Calculation of Unmet Financial Need (completed by Financial Aid)
- Calculation of Grade Point Average (completed by Financial Aid)
- A brief Academic Profile of the student recipient
- A brief Personal Statement describing the students’ background, personal
  achievements, challenges they have encountered, educational pursuits and aspirations
  for the future
- A Thank You Letter addressed to Mr. Philip G. Riles (son of Superintendent Riles)
- A completed Application Checklist

Applications for the 2015-2016 academic year are due May 4, 2015.
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, SAN MARCOS
CSU SYSTEMWIDE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2015-2016

APPLICANT INFORMATION
(Please type or print carefully in capital letters)

SCHOLARSHIP TITLE: ____________________________________________

Name: ____________________________ Student Identification Number: __________

Current Address: ________________________________________________

City: ____________________________ State: __________ Zip: __________

Permanent Address: ____________________________________________

City: ____________________________ State: __________ Zip: __________

Preferred Mailing Address: □ Current □ Permanent

Telephone Number: __________________________ Alt. Telephone Number: __________

E-mail Address: __________________________

Campus you are attending in 2015-2016: ______________________________

Number of class units you anticipate taking:

first quarter/semester: _____ second quarter/semester: _____
third quarter: _____ summer session: _____

Major: __________________________ Anticipated Graduation Date: __________

Graduate Student GPA: ______ Undergraduate Student GPA: ______ Cumulative GPA: ______

ACCEPTANCE OF SCHOLARSHIP TERMS

I agree to adhere to all scholarship terms and guidelines as set forth by the California State University Foundation in the 2015-2016 scholarship criterion which includes the requirement that I remain a student in good standing during the entire academic year.

I further agree to repay any scholarship funds as requested by the California State University Foundation on behalf of the scholarship fund donor in the event that I am unable to fulfill my academic commitment for any reason and to notify the Foundation in writing.

I further agree to have my name and personal achievements publicized in recognition of receiving a prestigious systemwide scholarship.

Scholarship Applicant

__________________________________________  __________________________
Signature                                      Date

For Financial Aid Office Completion:

Unmet Financial Need: __________________________  Cumulative GPA Verification: __________________________

Printed Name/Title: __________________________ /  __________ Signature: __________________________

Financial Aid Office Contact Number: (_____) ______-________