

**UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA DULUTH  
MASTER OF LIBERAL STUDIES  
EDWARD J. SMITH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

The attached application may be used to apply for the Continuing Education Master of Liberal Studies Edward J. Smith Scholarship. The \$1000 - \$1,200 scholarship is for tuition only; it does not cover books, fees, or other school expenses. Priority will be given to applicants who have not won a scholarship in previous years. The scholarship can be used for spring 2009, summer 2009, or fall 2009 tuition.

Edward J. Smith attended UMD and served as a member of the Academic Support and Student Life staff until his death in 1994. He valued lifelong learning and was a role model for those facing hardship and handicaps. This scholarship is dedicated to older students returning to higher education. To be eligible for the Smith scholarship, MLS students must be more than 25 years of age. The scholarship is awarded on the basis of academic achievement and financial need.

Applicants must submit two letters of support (see form), transcripts (unofficial) of all graduate-level coursework, and the attached application materials. (The MLS program has your undergraduate transcripts on file.) Please also include copies of two recent graduate-level papers you have written. **The deadline for submission of ALL materials is March 30, 2009.**

Return the application packet by **Monday, March 30, 2009** to:

Master of Liberal Studies Scholarship Committee  
Continuing Education  
University of Minnesota Duluth  
104 Darland Administration Building  
1049 University Drive  
Duluth, MN 55812-3011

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Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip)

Daytime phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Specify term for which you were formally admitted to the University of Minnesota Duluth Master of Liberal Studies Program. \_\_\_\_\_

Are you 25 years of age or older? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

**PERSONAL STATEMENT:** Your personal statement is a very important part of this scholarship application. Your statement need not be lengthy, but it should be complete. Please describe your previous education, employment, community involvement, personal and family responsibilities, financial need, and any other experiences you feel are relevant. Also describe your short and long-range goals as an MLS student. Use the next page for your personal statement. Attach an additional sheet if necessary.

I certify that I have answered all of the above questions accurately and truthfully regarding my own situation.

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

Ask two people to write letters of support on the attached *Request for Recommendation* forms. The letters should be directed to the Scholarship Committee at the address shown on the form. List the writers' names and addresses here:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Master of Liberal Studies  
Scholarship Personal Statement**

**Request for Recommendation  
Master of Liberal Studies Program  
University of Minnesota Duluth**

**PART A: TO BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT**

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

I agree that the recommendation I am requesting shall be held in confidence and I hereby waive any rights I may have to examine it.    Yes                      No

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_                      Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PART B: TO BE COMPLETED BY THE RECOMMENDER**

The person named above has applied for a scholarship in the Master of Liberal Studies program. How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant?

\_\_\_\_\_

<b>SUMMARY EVALUATION</b>	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Very Good	Outstanding	Inadequate Opportunity to Observe
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2. Initiative/Resourcefulness						
3. Imagination/Creativity						
4. Research Skills						
5. Written Communication						
6. Oral Communication						
7. Emotional Maturity						
8. Potential for Success						
9. Ability to work independently						

**PART C: TO BE COMPLETED BY THE RECOMMENDER**

We would appreciate your candid written evaluation of the applicant's ability to carry on advanced studies as well as his/her scholarship, personality, character, integrity, and professional promise. Why is this person deserving of a scholarship? We thank you for your cooperation and input.

Signature\_\_\_\_\_ Please print last name\_\_\_\_\_

Position\_\_\_\_\_ with\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_

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