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THE WILLOUGHBY L. NASON SCHOLARSHIP

Information and Application Form

In 1979, in memory of their son, the Nason family generously donated money with which to establish a home for the Center for Latin American and Border Studies on NMSU's Las Cruces campus. Nason House, which also contains the library of Willoughby's father Charles Nason, was previously the NMSU President's residence.

In memory of Willoughby L. Nason, a former graduate student of Latin American history at NSMU who died unexpectedly at the age of 33 in 1979, several scholarships may be awarded annually to NMSU students by the Nason Foundation.

Willoughby L. Nason scholarships from \$250 up to \$1000 are available each year to qualified NMSU students. Minimum requirements include junior or senior status with at least a 3.0 GPA or graduate status with a minimum 3.5 GPA. A trust established by the Nason family provides the funds for these scholarships. The award of the scholarships is a competitive process and extra consideration is given to innovative and well-presented proposals.

Students' current course of study and proposed project must indicate an interest in Latin America. Fields of work may include anthropology, art history, dance, political science, the plastic arts, history, health, geography, criminal justice, sociology, linguistics, literature, agriculture, education and other related fields.

Examples of past work include: studies of cooperatives in Chiapas, the role of civil society in the Colombian peace process, a comparison of Moche erotic pottery with the works of other cultures, a photographic study of a Guatemalan religious idol, and Mexican religious painting.

Scholarship recipients agree to submit the written results of their work to the Nason Foundation. This will then be bound and stored with the works of previous recipients in the Nason House Library. Upon completing their work, scholarship recipients will give a short, oral presentation at the Nason House to members of the Nason Foundation, NMSU and the local community.

Please return the following application, typed, to: Center for Latin American & Border Studies, Nason House (1200 University Avenue), P.O. Box 30001, MSC 3LAS, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM 88003-8001. Nason House is located across the street from FedEx Kinko's on University Avenue. For more information you may contact the secretary at (505) 646-6814.

Applications for Summer 2009 must be received at the Center by 5.00 pm on Friday, February 27, 2009. Awards will be announced by March 20, 2009.

Nason Scholarship Application

I. Personal Information:

Name:

Student ID No:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Telephone No:

Email:

II. Student Standing:

Junior _____ Senior _____ Graduate _____ Cumulative GPA _____

Major:

Minor:

III. Academic Interest—Latin American Studies Emphasis

Previous classes taken (please list):

Classes in progress (please list):

IV. Brief Description of Research (please answer the following questions concisely):

Title or research project to be funded:

What type of research and/or travel will the funds be used for?

V. Please attach, in English, a three-page (typed, double-spaced) statement that:

- A. Tells us what you have done in the past that is related to this project;
- B. Describes the proposed project in some detail;
- C. Tells us how this project fits into your life plans and career goals (Let us get to know you!); and
- D. An itemized budget including expenses such as: travel (airline tickets, lodging, mileage, meals, etc.), research supplies (books, Xerox copies, film, CDs, tapes, photo paper, etc.—but **NOT** equipment or software), and time sheet (if applicable). Examples of budget and time sheet are attached.

VI. Please provide the names, telephone numbers and email addresses of three faculty members that can be used as references.

A. *Name:*

 Position:

Telephone No:

 Email:

B. *Name:*

 Position:

Telephone No:

 Email:

C. *Name:*

Position:

Telephone No:

Email:

VII. Financial need (last priority for scholarship):

Annual Income: \$

A. From employment: \$

B. From other sources: \$

Are you currently receiving any other financial aid, including scholarships, grants, and/or loans? If so, please specify type and amount of each (list individually).

VIII. Scholarship recipients agree to submit the written results of their work to the Nason Foundation. These reports will then be bound and stored with the works of previous recipients in the Nason House Library.

IX. Scholarship recipients will give a short oral presentation to the Nason Foundation, NMSU, and the local community at Nason House upon completion of their work.

X. Scholarship recipients will be required to submit receipts of expenditures (an itemized list); such as, travel, supplies, etc. to demonstrate how the scholarship funds have been spent.

XI. Applicant's Name:

XII. Applicant's Signature:

XIII. Date of submission: