



GRADUATE STUDENT SCHOLAR AWARD

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Pi Lambda Theta

Non-members are eligible

OVERVIEW — The *Graduate Student Scholar Award* is presented in recognition of an outstanding graduate student who is an education major. The award was established in 1993, and is funded by the Pi Lambda Theta Educational Endowment.

AWARD — The award consists of a cash payment of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) and a framed certificate. A complimentary one-year honorary membership is extended if a non-member recipient meets Pi Lambda Theta's membership requirements.

NOMINATION CRITERIA — A nominee must not be currently serving on the board of directors of Pi Lambda Theta, Inc. or the Pi Lambda Theta Educational Endowment. A nomination must include evidence that the nominee:

1. is pursuing a graduate degree and have completed at least 12 semester credit hours or the equivalent of graduate work
2. has earned a cumulative grade-point average of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale on all undergraduate work and at least a 3.75 on a 4.0 scale on graduate work
3. displays potential for leadership
4. has made significant contributions to local/national education efforts while in a college or university (i.e. volunteer work with organizations, particularly non-profit; committee work on/off campus; leadership positions in organizations on/off campus)
5. has performed uniquely in his/her field (have perfected a unique method and/or an idea, and have incorporated it into his/her work to the betterment of his/her discipline)

NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS — A nomination must be made by a college/university instructor, professor, or supervisor of the nominee. A complete nomination includes:

1. a Pi Lambda Theta universal application/nomination cover sheet
2. a résumé or vita
3. recommendation written by the nominator
4. copy of an official college transcript from college/university from which nominee received his/her most recent degree and a copy of an official transcript from the college/university at which nominee is attending graduate school [Both transcripts should show cumulative GPA.]
5. a written statement from the nominee addressing his/her qualifications in relation to the criteria
6. three (3) letters of recommendation from individuals other than the nominator endorsing the nomination (occupation and relationship to nominee are to be stated in the letter of recommendation)
7. if the nominee belongs to a chapter, the chapter must send a letter of endorsement

To the extent possible, letters of support should specifically address the nomination criteria. No additional copies of the above material are required for a complete nomination; however, Pi Lambda Theta reserves the right to require up to 10 copies of material that is not readily reproducible or that is unusually long.

SELECTION — The recipient is selected by the student scholar committee. The committee may, at its discretion, decide not to make the award.

SUBMISSION — The complete nomination must be *received* in the Pi Lambda Theta international office by the deadline below. Send nominations to:

- (by Email): pamtodd@pilambda.org
- (by U.S. mail): PO Box 6626, Bloomington, IN 47407-6626
- (by UPS/FedEx): 4101 E Third St, Bloomington, IN 47401-5599

DEADLINE — Nominations must be received by February 10.

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Past Recipients

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| 2009 | Mai Jones, Beta Zeta |
| 2005 | Audra Skukauskaite, Santa Barbara Area |
| 2003 | Laurie Elizabeth Sonnier, Alpha |
| 2001 | Yvonne Bui, Member-At-Large |
| 1999 | Stephanie A. Epp, Member-At-Large |
| 1997 | Katherine A. Smith, Non-member |
| 1995 | Jane Holmberg, Epsilon |
| 1993 | Tamarah M. Ashton-Coombs, Beta Beta |