

THE ERNEST R. STIEFEL PHI BETA KAPPA GRADUATE STUDY AWARD

Presented by the Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa, www.psa-pbk.org

Award Summary

Phi Beta Kappa, the oldest and most respected undergraduate honors organization in the United States, has pursued its mission of fostering and recognizing excellence in the liberal arts and sciences since 1776. The Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa, founded in 1953, is open to all Phi Beta Kappa members from any chapter in the country who currently reside in the Puget Sound area. It encourages and supports excellence in education through activities and awards.

Ernest R. Stiefel was a distinguished Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa Board member and long-time treasurer of the Association.

Amount: \$4,000 (total)
Number: One or two awards
Deadline: June 18, 2012

Criteria:

- Applicants must be members of Phi Beta Kappa elected at the University of Washington or the University of Puget Sound; and
- Beginning graduate work at either the University of Washington or the University of Puget Sound in the 2012-2013 academic year.
- Graduate study may be in the liberal arts, humanities, sciences, or professions.
- Demonstrated financial need is a requirement and a *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)* must be on file at the applicant's current institution.

Procedure: Each applicant must submit the following:

The Ernest Stiefel Award application form

Signature on the application authorizes release of financial information. The institution will then have permission to share a copy of the applicant's financial aid award, student budget, Expected Family Contribution (EFC) and unmet need with the Association's Scholarship Award Committee.

A personal letter outlining

1. Education and career goals
2. Statement of financial need
3. Description of the applicant's work experience

Official transcript of college work

PSA-PBK will notify all applicants about the status of their application after August 1, 2012. Checks will be sent directly to each award recipient's institution.

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