The University of Oklahoma’s

Sooner Upward Bound Program

2013-2014 Application Packet

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CONGRATULATIONS!

...on applying to the University of Oklahoma’s

Sooner Upward Bound Program

- Experience education and learning like never before!
- Work with exciting, creative, and caring instructors!
- Make great friends and lasting memories!
- Experience life on a college campus!
- Prepare for “Excellence in Education!”

The Sooner Upward Bound Application has been broken down into six (6) separate parts to make it easier to complete. Below is a checklist for your reference:

_____ FORM 1 – STUDENT INFORMATION
To be completed by student and parents/guardians

_____ FORM 2 – FAMILY EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND
To be completed by student and parents/guardians

_____ FORM 3 – FAMILY FINANCIAL INFORMATION
To be completed by student and parents/guardians

_____ FORM 4 – TEACHER RECOMMENDATIONS (3)
To be completed by your English, Math, and one other teacher of your choice

_____ FORM 5 – STUDENT ESSAYS (2)
Two (2) – 150 word short essays to be completed by student

_____ FORM 6 – ACADEMIC RECORDS
Current HS Transcript and OK Standardized Test scores, which are to be provided by the high school

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE – JANUARY 27, 2014
SOONER UPWARD BOUND APPLICATION
FORM 1 – STUDENT INFORMATION

Please complete each section and do not leave any blank spaces. Print clearly in ink.

Name: ___________________________ Age: _______ Gender: ___
Address: ___________________________ City/St: _______ Zip: ______
Home Phone: _________________________ Other/Cell: ____________
Date of Birth: ___/___/____ Social Security Number: ___/___/____

Initials: ____ U.S. Citizen: YES □ NO □

Race/Ethnicity: American Indian □, Tribal Affiliation _____________
Asian American □ Hispanic/Latino □ African American □
Caucasian □ Other □ ______________

Current School: __________________________ Grade: _____________

Are you currently enrolled in a college preparatory program? Yes □ No □

Current Cumulative GPA: ____ Anticipated HS Graduation Year ______

Please list your current class schedule:

Math: __________________________ Other: ______________

Science: __________________________ Other: ______________

English: __________________________ Other: ______________

Foreign Lang: ______________________ Other: ______________

Do you currently have a job or work on a weekly basis? Yes □ No □

# of Hrs ______

If YES, would you have to work during the summer? Yes □ No □

Have any of your siblings participated in Upward Bound? Yes □ No □

Have any of your siblings attended a college or university? Yes □ No □

If so, where did they attend? _____________________________

Do you understand that, if accepted, Sooner Upward Bound is an academic program that aids you in your progress while in high school and then tracks your success during your college career?

Yes □ No □ Not Clear □
SOONER UPWARD BOUND APPLICATION
FORM 2 – FAMILY EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

In order for your son/daughter to be eligible for the Sooner Upward Bound program, he/she must meet the federal eligibility requirements of a first generation college student and/or be from a family of low socioeconomic status. The following two forms (Form 2 & 3) aid the SUB staff in determining the program eligibility status of your student.

Please list below only those who are currently living with the applicant and are the legal guardian.

Initials______Father’s (Guardian) Name ____________________________
Phone (_____)_SS# _____________________
Address __________________________ City/ST/Zip __________________

Educational Level: (please provide information of the highest educational level completed)
High School Diploma: Yes □ No □
College Years ________ BA/BS ________ Major _________________
MA/MS ________ Program _________________ Ph.D. _________________
Occupation: __________________________ Employer: __________________

Initials______Mother’s (Guardian) Name ____________________________
Phone (_____)_SS# _____________________
Address __________________________ City/ST/Zip __________________

Educational Level: (please provide information of the highest educational level completed)
High School Diploma: Yes □ No □
College Years ________ BA/BS ________ Major _________________
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Occupation: __________________________ Employer: __________________

Are there any languages other than English spoken in the home? Yes □ No □
If yes, please specify what languages. ______________________________________

Please include any other information that you feel may be beneficial to your acceptance. ____________________________________________________________

Confidentiality of Information

The financial and educational information you provide to the Upward Bound (UB) program is reported to the US Department of Education (DOE) and is protected by the Privacy Act. No one may see the information unless they are employed by the UB program or are specifically authorized by the US DOE to evaluate the project (20 USC 1231a). Great care is taken to make sure that the personal information collected on UB students is kept confidential. Information or records relating to individual UB students or groups of students who are participating or have participated in UB, shall not be disclosed to any person, group, agency, or organization without the express consent of the Program Director. When a project or contract terminates, all UB records in possession of the project or contractor shall be disposed of only by the authority of and in accordance with procedures approved by the University of Oklahoma. In addition, any officer or employee of the United States or, of any department or agency thereof, who publishes, divulges, discloses or makes known in any manner or to any extent not authorized by law, any information coming to him/her in the course of his/her employment of official duties or by reason of any examination or investigation made by, or return, report or record made to or filed with such department or agency or officer thereof, which concerns or relates to the UB project shall be subject to a fine and/or imprisonment, or both, and shall be removed from office or employment under the provisions of Title 18, Section 1905 of the U.S. Code.
SOONER UPWARD BOUND APPLICATION
FORM 3 – FAMILY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

1. Copy of Official US tax document with signature. (Must be a copy of Form 1040 or 1040EZ . . . NOTE: W-2 will not suffice) If you complete this step, skip to signature.

2. Total number of people supported by annual income: 
   Note: DO NOT include social security, veteran’s benefits, unemployment, disability or welfare payments.
   Indicate any benefits received: Welfare □ Free Lunch □ Medicaid □
   Note: If you receive any of the preceding benefits, you must provide a copy of documentation.

3. If you DID NOT file an IRS Income Tax Return, please indicate the approximate TOTAL amount of your household income: $ 
   *Notary Required for Steps 2 & 3

4. If you did not file an IRS Income Tax Return last year or if your household income has drastically changed from last year, you can submit an appeal for a hardship case. Since the decision is usually based on last year’s income, you must prove that your total household financial situation has either changed or explain the reasons why you did not file a required IRS Income Tax Return. Please explain your situation in the following space: 

I HEREBY AFFIRM AND ATTEST THAT ALL FINANCIAL AND EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION LISTED ABOVE ON ALL REQUIRED SOONER UPWARD BOUND FORMS IS TRUE AND CORRECT. I UNDERSTAND THAT IF ANY INFORMATION IS FOUND TO INCORRECT AND/OR A MISREPRESENTATION OR FALSE STATEMENT WILL RENDER THE APPLICANT INELIGIBLE FOR THE SOONER UPWARD BOUND PROGRAM.

________________________________________  ________________
STUDENT SIGNATURE  DATE

________________________________________  __________________
PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE  DATE

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SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS ___ DAY OF ________, 20___.
NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ____________________, ______ STATE OF _________________. MY COMMISSION EXPIRES ____________________.

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NOTARY PUBLIC SIGNATURE
SOONER UPWARD BOUND APPLICATION
FORM 4A – RECOMMENDATIONS ************** ENGLISH TEACHER

Sooner Upward Bound looks for students who genuinely possess the desire and potential to prepare for a college education. Your candid and honest appraisal of the candidate will be most helpful during the highly competitive selection process. Place an “X” under the column which best describes the applicant below. Also, please add any other comments and provide your overall recommendation.

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Are there any special attributes that should be noted about the applicant? ________

COMMENTS: _____________________________________________

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Overall recommendation of the applicant based on your ratings and comments (Check one):

☐ I highly recommend this applicant
☐ I recommend this applicant
☐ I recommend this applicant, with some reservation
☐ I am not able to recommend this applicant

Name (Please Print) __________________________        Class(es) you teach __________________________

Signature __________________________        Date __________________________
SOONER UPWARD BOUND APPLICATION
FORM 4B – RECOMMENDATIONS ****************** MATH TEACHER

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FORM 4C – RECOMMENDATIONS *************** OTHER TEACHER
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Name (Please Print)  Class(es) you teach

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Signature  Date
SOONER UPWARD BOUND APPLICATION
FORM 5 – STUDENT ESSAYS

Please use a computer to type your essays. Attach your answers to the following questions below. Each essay must be at least one hundred and fifty (150) words. Your essay will be evaluated not only on grammatical correctness, but also for content. Please be sure to put your name on your attached sheet.

1. Please describe how your family (or someone close to you) has impacted your ability and/or desire to achieve academic excellence.

2. Please explain what your future academic goals are and how you plan to achieve them.

SOONER UPWARD BOUND APPLICATION
FORM 6 – ACADEMIC RECORDS REQUEST

A current HS Transcript and OK Standardized Test scores are to be provided by the high school. A final decision cannot be made regarding your admittance if you do not submit these documents. By signing below, you allow the Sooner Upward Bound staff full access to your academic records throughout your high school tenure and beyond, for up to, but not exceeding seven (7) years after your high school graduation.

I hereby give permission for the Sooner Upward Bound program at the University of Oklahoma and its agencies full access to any and all academic records after my official acceptance into this US Department of Education Upward Bound program.

Participant’s Name (Please Print)

Parent and/or Guardian Name (Please Print)

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date