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## Graduate Startup Scholarship Application

The College of Liberal Studies offers five annual graduate startup scholarships in the amount of \$500 each for students entering the college's graduate program. The award is designed for students in the first semester of their degree programs. The purpose of the scholarship is to help qualified applicants defray the initial costs of their studies. Students may receive this scholarship only once.

### Deadline for submitting application is 5 p.m. on the following dates:

Fall: Sept. 15                                      Spring: Feb. 22                                      Summer: June 1

\*\*Applications will not be accepted after the deadline.

**Criteria:** Students must meet all criteria to be eligible for consideration.

- First semester in CLS graduate program
- Enrolled during awarding semester
- Must have a minimum 3.25 GPA
- Demonstrate financial need

**Required Application Materials:** Application should be 4-6 pages. Please collate and staple all required materials.

1. Completed graduate startup application form
2. Statement of purpose, responding to the following (1-2 pages)
  - What are your educational interests and goals?
  - Why do you want to obtain a degree from the University of Oklahoma and from the College of Liberal Studies?
3. Letter describing financial need (1 page)
  - Should address how the scholarship is significant to you and/or how it would benefit your continuing progress
4. Resume (1-2 pages)
  - There is no one correct resume format; however, your resume should include information about, but not limited to, the following categories that are applicable to you:
    - Education, community involvement, extracurricular activities, work experience, internships, honors, awards, scholarships and any additional pertinent information

**Selection Process and Important Notes:** The recipients are selected after the deadline by a committee comprised of faculty, staff and students. All required application materials must be submitted by the deadline in order to be reviewed. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure all application materials have been received.

**Presentation of the Award:** Scholarship recipients will be notified by email or regular mail after the Scholarship and Awards Committee has reached a decision. A waiver of \$500 will be posted to the award recipient's bursar account.

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**Submit required application materials by the deadline to:**

College of Liberal Studies

The University of Oklahoma

ATTN: Missy Mitchell

1610 Asp Avenue, Suite 108, Norman, OK 73072-6405

Application and supporting materials may also be faxed to (405) 325-7408 or emailed to

[mjmitchell@ou.edu](mailto:mjmitchell@ou.edu).

For questions concerning this scholarship opportunity, please contact us:

Office: (405) 325-1061 or toll-free: (800) 522-4389 or [mjmitchell@ou.edu](mailto:mjmitchell@ou.edu).



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### Graduate Startup Scholarship Application Form

*Please type or print clearly in black ink. Unreadable submissions will not be considered.*

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Work Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**OU Student ID Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cumulative Grade Point Average:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Applying for which semester?:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Program:**  M.A. - Administrative Leadership     M.A. - Liberal Studies

Master of Prevention Science

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: Application is not complete without statement of purpose, letter describing financial need and resume. Please collate and staple to application form.*