Scholarship Application and Information

The OU Policy Debate Team has two scholarships, and a varying amount of tuition waivers dedicated specifically to debate team members.

Scholarship information:

**Mitchell-Boren Scholarship:**
Criteria: Applicants must be full-time, regularly enrolled degree-seeking undergraduate students in good-standing, who are members of the Shannon Self Policy Debate Team. Applicants must have a GPA of 2.0 or above. Applicants must commit to representing the Shannon Self Policy Debate Team at available tournaments in the academic year in which the scholarship is awarded.
Award: total amount dependent on available funds, to be split amongst scholarship recipients. Minimum award is $500.

**Hester Scholarship:**
Criteria: Applicants must be full-time, regularly enrolled degree-seeking undergraduate students in good-standing, who are members of the Shannon Self Policy Debate Team. Applicants must have a GPA of 3.0 or above. Applicants must commit to representing the Shannon Self Policy Debate Team at available tournaments in the academic year in which the scholarship is awarded. Applicants must be Oklahoma residents.
Award: total amount dependent on available funds, to be split amongst scholarship recipients. Minimum award is $500.

**Debate Team Tuition Waiver:**
Criteria: Applicants must be undergraduate students in good-standing, regularly enrolled at least part-time, who are members of the Shannon Self Policy Debate Team. Applicants must have a GPA of 2.0 or above. Applicants must commit to representing the Shannon Self Policy Debate Team at available tournaments in the academic year in which the waiver is provided.
Award: varies.

Application:
To apply for any of the Shannon Self Policy Debate awards, please submit the below information to kmaddy@ou.edu by **September 14, 2020**. Award decisions will be made soon thereafter.

1. State your major(s):
2. State the total hours you have completed after the Spring 2019 semester (combined OU and transfer credit hours):
3. Provide your overall GPA after Spring 2019 semester (combined OU and transfer GPA):
4. Provide your expected graduation date:
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5. Describe your experience or history with debate. This includes high school or transfer experience, and any format of debate. Information may include camp attendance, tournament history, background in policy, parliament, LD, or forensic debating.

6. List any current scholarships or financial aid already received or receiving this academic year.

7. Provide a copy of your resume. This resume should include your educational background, work history, extracurricular and volunteer activities, any awards/honors/achievements, and special skills. If you don't have a resume, provide this information unformatted in the body of a word document.

8. Using a minimum of 150 words, explain why you are interested in debate and the Shannon Self Policy Debate Team.

9. Confirm your commitment to be an active team member of the Shannon Self Policy Debate Team and attend all tournaments as you are able and as your Coach authorizes for the academic year in which the scholarship/waiver is awarded.