

Fresno State Asian Faculty and Staff Association (AFSA) Book Awards, AY 2016–17

Sponsored by: Fresno State Asian Faculty and Staff Association (AFSA)

Award Amount: \$500 for undergraduate student award; \$500 for graduate student award

Purpose: The purpose of the AFSA Book Awards is to provide financial assistance for full-time undergraduate and graduate students at Fresno State to purchase textbooks.

Criteria: The selection criteria include academic achievement, extracurricular activities, and financial need.

- Academic Achievement
 - Major GPA of 2.8 or higher for undergraduate students
 - Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher for graduate students
- Contribution to the local and/or on-campus Asian and Pacific Islander community
- Financial need

Application Deadline: November 22, 2016, 5 p.m.

Application Procedure:

- 1. Before you submit the online application, please prepare the following information:
 - Your name, home address, and contact information (phone number and e-mail)
 - Your major and minor (if applicable); cumulative GPA and major GPA
 - Financial aid status with official documentation
 - Expected graduation date and years in college
 - Name(s) of the organization you have been involved in for last two years, position(s), and term
- 2. Write a brief essay that addresses the following. Graduate student applicants must answer both a and b.
 - a. **(BOTH UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE STUDENT APPLICATIONS, not to exceed 500 words)**Describe briefly your qualifications for this award. In your answer, address academic achievement, leadership, contribution to the on-campus and/or off-campus Asian and Pacific Islander community, and financial need.
 - b. (GRADUATE STUDENT APPLICATION ONLY, not to exceed 500 words)

Discuss your educational plans and professional goals. Then, discuss why you feel you will be successful in your chosen field.

- 3. Please prepare an electronic version of the following supporting documents:
 - A letter of recommendation from faculty or staff.
 - A copy of your unofficial transcript.
- 4. Access the online AFSA Book Award Application Form: APPLY NOW

You can also access the submission link via AFSA Web Site: http://fresnostate.edu/orgs/afsa/book-award Once you complete the application, you will receive a confirmation e-mail. Please save the e-mail for your records.

Review Process: A review committee will read and score all applications based on the above criteria. Awardees will be notified via e-mail by December 9, 2016, and must attend the Book Awards Luncheon on Saturday, February 11, 2017.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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