

## Department of Sociology Awards Application Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(include street address, city, state, and zip)

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of graduation or anticipated date of graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

If a graduating senior, have you filed your Graduation Check Application Form?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Awards sought (check all that apply):

- \_\_\_\_\_ Robert P. Rankin Award (Annual Outstanding Sociology Student) – nomination by Sociology faculty member
- \_\_\_\_\_ Barbara Holland Peevers Memorial Scholarship Award\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Best Scholar Award – nomination by Sociology faculty member
- \_\_\_\_\_ W.E.B. duBois Award
- \_\_\_\_\_ Travis A. Williams Educational Enhancement Award

Please refer to the Information Sheet for specific requirements of each award. Full-time enrollment is necessary for ALL recipients.

Complete and return this form with your current resume and your essay, written specifically to address the requirements of the particular award for which you are making application. Letters of recommendation from faculty members may also be included or may be submitted directly to the Scholarship Committee by faculty members by the same date listed below. **A CSU, Chico Scholarship Application must also be completed, please see <http://fa.csuchico.edu/fa/> for more information.**

All documents must be submitted by 9 *a.m.* on February 26, 2007 to:

Awards Program  
Department of Sociology  
California State University, Chico  
Chico, CA 95929-0445

Tel: (530) 898-6384

Fax: (530) 898-4571

- Note: The Peevers Award is done through the Scholarship Office (MLIB 161). Check with them for deadlines.

## Department of Sociology Awards Information Sheet

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These awards are for Sociology majors. Sociology minors may apply for the Educational Enhancement Award. Ask for an application form in the Sociology department office. If you think you should be nominated for a particular award that requires nomination by a faculty member, speak with the faculty member who you think can best nominate you. Some of these awards are by self-nomination. Read the description and requirements carefully.

### **Robert P. Rankin Award – Annual Outstanding Sociology Student**

For senior Sociology majors with a GPA of 3.5 or higher who will graduate in summer, fall, or spring of the current academic year. This award is based on academic achievement and evidence of service. Students are nominated by a Sociology faculty member who submits a letter of recommendation to the Awards Program. The faculty member must inform the student that he or she has been nominated. The student must complete the application process, including a 300-word essay focusing on the specific requirements of this award.

### **Barbara Holland Peevers Memorial Scholarship Award**

For need-based students majoring in Sociology with a minimum GPA of 3.00 who have achieved junior, senior, or graduation status. This award is based on a family investment fund and the amount awarded will vary each year depending on the interest earned. Students apply by submitting an essay of 300 words that outlines their academic goals and identifies how the scholarship will help them. Application should be made through the Scholarship Office, located in the Meriam Library, Room 161.

### **Best Scholar Award**

For graduating senior Sociology majors whose GPA is 3.5 or higher. Students are nominated by Sociology faculty. Faculty members must submit a letter of recommendation to the Awards Program and inform the student in sufficient time for the student to complete the application process, including a 300-word essay on how their experience in the Sociology program has contributed to their worldview and how they expect it to use the degree to achieve their career objectives.

### **W. E. B. duBois Award**

This award recognizes Sociology majors of at least junior status who have overcome obstacles and challenges in their life and in their educational pursuits. Current and/or transfer students with a minimum 3.0 GPA may apply or be nominated by a faculty member. Students must submit an essay of approximately 300 words that articulates their commitment to Sociology and how the award will contribute to the completion of the degree.

### **Travis A. Williams Educational Enhancement Award**

This award is for special usage related to expenses for travel to a conference or some other academic event, for study abroad, or for research or special projects. Current Sociology majors and minors may apply for this award by completing the application process and submitting a 300-word essay identifying their commitment to the field of Sociology and describing what they hope to gain from their plans to travel, study abroad, or engage in a special project.

**Award amounts:** The amount awarded for each of the above (except the Peevers Scholarship) is determined each year based on the sum total in the department's Scholarship Fund. Awards are typically in the \$300 - \$500 range.