

## RICHARD K. LEFFINGWELL SCHOLARSHIP

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After graduating with a bachelor's of science degree from CSU Northridge, and serving as an officer in the US Army, Richard Leffingwell joined the CSU's Chancellor's Office as a member of the trustees' audit staff. He directed the CSU's self-supporting financing activities, and later became the Director of Financing and Treasury. Richard worked with trustees, campuses, and the municipal financing community to establish viable systems for financing non-state projects at the 23 CSU campuses before retiring in 2004. This scholarship reflects his admiration for the university's commitment to provide opportunities to foster the next generation of students who wish to be instrumental in serving the public.

Two (2) \$3,000 scholarship will be awarded for the 2020-2021 academic year. Each campus may nominate two students. Applicants must:

- Have a course of study within the fields of business, economics or other disciplines that will serve the applicant in achieving goals relating to nonprofit or public service.
- Have demonstrated an interest in and aspire to a career in nonprofit or public service.
- Demonstrate a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale and be in good academic standing.
- Demonstrate financial need as determined by the campus Financial Aid office.
- Be currently enrolled as a full-time equivalent upper division or graduate student at a California State University campus and must remain a full-time equivalent student during the scholarship period.
- Include in the personal statement 1) motivations and goals for a career in nonprofit or public service, 2) experience or involvement to date in nonprofit or public service activities, and 3) how they envision their course of study and anticipated career facilitating their goals with nonprofit or public service communities.
- All students meeting the above requirements are encouraged to apply. A student who is a military veteran, meets the criteria, and is otherwise equal to others in qualifications, will receive favorable consideration.

### **Applications are available through the campus Financial Aid Office.**

Completed applications submitted by the campus Financial Aid Office to the CSU Foundation must include the following:

- Scholarship Applicant Information form
- Unofficial Transcripts of the student recipient
- A brief Personal Statement describing their background, personal achievements, challenges they have encountered, educational pursuits and goals and aspirations for the future
- A completed Application Checklist

Contact the Financial Aid Department for the Spring Application Deadline.

**APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

(Please make sure that all items are completed and verified before the application packet is submitted to the CSU Foundation)

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Application Item	Completed	Verified by (Initial) <i>Where indicated, either Financial Aid or the Scholarship Coordinator can verify completion</i>	
Applicant Information Form	<input type="checkbox"/>	Financial Aid Scholarship Coordinator	_____ _____
Unofficial Transcripts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Financial Aid Scholarship Coordinator	_____ _____
Personal Statement (see Fact Sheet for details)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Financial Aid Scholarship Coordinator	_____ _____

**Each application and checklist must be attached as one PDF and e-mailed to the campus Financial Aid Department.**

Please do not send physical files.

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