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Leadership Executive MBA Scholarship Program Overview

The LEMBA program reflects Seattle University's holistic definition of academic excellence, one that transcends classroom performance and encompasses the professional careers and lives of our LEMBA students. The purpose of the Albers School and Hagen* scholarships is to support the leadership formation of mid-to-senior level professionals pursuing the Leadership Executive MBA. Awards range from \$10,000 – \$30,000 and are dispersed equally across the six quarters of the LEMBA program.

These scholarships are designed to support leaders whose background and experience reflect their commitment to one or more of Seattle University's values including academic excellence, service and leadership, community, and global engagement.

* The Hagen scholarships are awarded to Early Decision (December 1) and March 1 applicants only.

Eligibility

Applicants for the LEMBA Scholarship Program must be applying for or be admitted to the <u>first year</u> of the program and must have the following:

- Bachelor's degree from a four year regionally-accredited institution. Exceptions considered on an individual basis by the program director.
- Minimum of 10 years progressively responsible professional work experience. Applicant's experience should reflect professional growth with a combination of management and leadership responsibilities.
- Demonstrated commitment to Seattle University's values as outlined above.

Scholarship Application Instructions and Deadlines

To apply for a scholarship, a candidate must complete a Statement of Interest (described below) and upload it as an extra submission within the application. Awards are typically made in conjunction with offers of admission. Applicants that submit a LEMBA application without completing the scholarship portion are welcome to apply for a scholarship after they are admitted, and their scholarship application will be evaluated at the next application deadline along with those of the deadline's applicants.

Statement of Interest

Two-to-three page, double-spaced essay explaining the candidate's interest in the Leadership Executive MBA (LEMBA) Scholarship Program. Please discuss the following:

- 1) Use three of the five Seattle University values (academic excellence, service and leadership, community, spirituality, and global engagement) to describe how your professional experience can add value to the classroom.
- 2) Specify how receiving a scholarship and the LEMBA degree will enhance your professional career (i.e. what specifically do you hope to accomplish professionally upon completing the LEMBA degree?).
- 3) Please describe any financial need you have that might be relevant to the review committee in making award decisions.
- 4) Please describe any tuition assistance provided by your employer.

Important Application Note:

The Personal Background section in the application has an optional field to provide your citizenship information. If you'd like to be considered for scholarships and financial aid (including loans), please indicate your citizenship here. US citizens will then be prompted to provide their social security number in the appropriate field. This information is used ONLY to match an application to the applicant's FAFSA form. If you have concerns or questions, please contact Graduate Admissions at 206-296-2217 or email olivev@seattleu.edu.