

Purpose:

To contribute to the mission of our land grant institution and to diversify the intellectual environment of Kansas and beyond by providing opportunities in higher education for Latino/a immigrant students at Kansas State University. It is our intention to further the ability of Latinos in Kansas to become positive contributors and leaders in our communities and in our state.

Biographical Information:

This scholarship was founded on the principles that all individuals who wish to work hard and become educated, contributing members of our society should have the opportunity to better themselves, that individual growth leads to positive community growth which leads to a healthy state economy. In the state of Kansas, too many immigrant families have been unable to reach for these goals. The Kansas State brothers of the Phi Chapter of Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity Inc., a historically Latino-based fraternity, believe in the principles of fairness, opportunity and the equality of all individuals. For these reasons, the *Betas* have chosen to address the plight of Latino/a immigrants' educational opportunities through the establishment of this \$500 scholarship and invite the contributions of all in the community.

Eligibility:

- Must be of latino/a descent and an immigrant of the Americas;
- Must be an undergraduate with sophomore status or above;
- Must be a full-time student at Kansas State University's Manhattan campus during the academic year for which the scholarship is awarded;
- Must have a 2.5 minimum cumulative grade point average;
- May be transferring to KSU from a Kansas community college;
- Must have financial need;
- Must submit a complete application packet (see below)

Application Packet Checklist:

- ___ Completed application form
- ___ Official college transcript
- ___ One letter of reference from a school official
- ___ Two-page personal statement

- **Scholarship applicants must write a 2-page personal statement of introduction to include why he/she is the most qualified/deserving applicant. Also describe future goals and personal struggles and hardship that you have overcome. Please be as specific as possible.**

Expectations:

- This \$500 scholarship will be awarded on a yearly basis.
- Scholarship recipients may reapply for continuing years.
- Recipient must maintain a 2.5 grade point average.
- Recipient will provide progress reports for each class to Sigma Lambda Beta advisor.
- Recipient will meet with SLB advisor a minimum of 3 times per semester and will use academic tutoring at advisor's recommendation.

Please print or type.

Name: _____
Last First Middle

E-Mail: _____
(print legibly)

Local Address: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Street _____

Street _____

City Zip Code _____

City Zip Code _____

Phone _____

Phone _____

Will you be a full-time, undergraduate student at Kansas State University in Fall 2010 and Spring 2011? (You must be a full-time, undergraduate Kansas State student attending classes on the Manhattan campus to receive the scholarship.)

Yes _____ No _____

Identify Latino/a descent: _____ **Country of Origin:** _____

Classification: Sophomore _____ Junior _____ Senior _____

Grade Point Average: _____

Are you the first person in your family to attend college? _____ Yes _____ No

Academic Major: _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____

List high school, college, church or community activities in which you have participated: _____

Special Honors and Awards: _____

Leadership Activities and Roles: _____

All applicants will be notified as to the status of their application and the outcome of the review.

Return Completed Application to: Anita Cortez, Sigma Lambda Beta Advisor
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001 Holton Hall
Kansas State University
Manhattan, KS 66506-1307
(785) 532-5864
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*Once social change begins, it cannot be reversed.
You cannot uneducate the person who has learned how to read.
You cannot humiliate the person who feels pride.
You cannot oppress people who are not afraid anymore.”*

Cesar E. Chavez