



# Graduate School

University of Missouri

## **THE HARRY S. TRUMAN GOOD NEIGHBOR AWARD FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM GUIDELINES**

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President Harry S. Truman was a firm supporter of higher education and, in particular, international educational exchange programs. He believed that such activities would not only enhance the knowledge and abilities of students engaged in these pursuits but would help people from different nations to better understand each other and promote the cause of world peace.

On August 1, 1946 President Truman signed Public Law 79-584, an amendment to the Surplus Property Act of 1944 known popularly as the Fulbright Act, which established an international exchange program for students, teachers, college professors, and research scholars. During the remainder of his administration and after leaving public office, Harry Truman continued to be a strong supporter of higher education and the international student exchange movement as a means to achieve better understanding among all people.

To honor President Truman and perpetuate his support of higher education on a domestic and international basis, the Harry S. Truman Good Neighbor Award Foundation sponsors scholarships to support students pursuing studies of an international or public service nature, including foreign literature and languages, and related studies in the humanities. Each of the scholarships have been established in honor of individuals who were strong supporters of Harry S. Truman and of the Truman Foundation.

### **UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI SCHOLARSHIP FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS**

The University of Missouri scholarship consists of a \$10,000 award given to one exceptional graduate student on our campus who is majoring in the fields of international relations, public service, political science, diplomacy, history or the humanities, reflecting President Truman's interest and involvement in those areas. The recipient of the award is expected to be available to attend an awards luncheon in Kansas City, Missouri on May 7, 2020.

Student applications for this scholarship are due by 5pm on Monday, February 17, 2020.

Students should submit their completed application via email as a single pdf document to:  
[mugradfellowshipnom@missouri.edu](mailto:mugradfellowshipnom@missouri.edu)

Questions about the scholarship should be directed to Dr. Lissa Behm-Morawitz, Associate Dean of the Graduate School, [behmmorawitze@missouri.edu](mailto:behmmorawitze@missouri.edu).

## **Eligibility:**

Eligible applicants are current MU graduate students:

- ✓ in good standing and making good progress in their degree program,
- ✓ majoring in the fields of international relations, public service, political science, diplomacy, history or the humanities, reflecting President Truman's interest and involvement in those areas,
- ✓ and who will be enrolled as a full-time student in Fall 2020.

## **Application Materials:**

Only complete applications will be considered. A complete application includes the following:

- Application Cover Sheet**
- Application Letter:** One to three page letter of application, written by the student applicant describing their eligibility for the award and why they are a strong candidate for the award.
- Two Letters of Recommendation:** Letters of recommendation from current MU faculty. One of the letters should be from the student's faculty advisor. Letter writers should submit their letters to the student directly so that they can include them in their application file.
- Current CV or Resume**

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