Khwezilomso Endowed Fund in Africana Studies

DEADLINES FOR 2020–21 APPLICATIONS

FALL 2020: 3 AUGUST 2020
WINTER 2021: 1 DECEMBER 2020
SPRING/SUMMER 2021: 1 MARCH 2021

In the Xhosa language of South Africa, *khwezilomso* is the term for “morning star,” the first star of the morning that signals the beginning of a new day filled with bright promises. This term represents the envisioned impact of this endowed fund for students in the Africana Studies program at BYU. The Khwezilomso Endowed Fund provides financial support in the form of scholarships, internships, travel grants (e.g., for research projects, conference, or other experiential learning opportunities), to students who are involved in Africana Studies, with a preference for students with a greater financial need and students who are from Africa (regardless of the students’ nationality or national origin). The funds are administered by the Kennedy Center through the Africana Studies program. Recipients will be chosen by a committee of Africana Studies program faculty. Amounts will vary according to the number and nature of the applications.

Who should apply?

All students involved in the Africana Studies program are invited to apply for scholarship money (including for study abroad programs), for grants for internships, for travel grants to attend conferences or conduct studies or research, etc. Previous recipients may reapply.

How do I apply?

Print, fill out, and sign the Khwezilomso Endowed Fund in Africana Studies application form and submit it, along with all supporting documentation, to Professor Leslie Hadfield, 2135 JFSB, leslie_hadfield@byu.edu, or the Kennedy Center’s main office, 237 HRCB, by the appropriate deadline stipulated above.

Questions? E-mail leslie_hadfield@byu.edu or call 801.422.8013.
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Scholarship and Grant Application

Name: _________________________________________________
Student ID: ____________________
Address: ___________________________________________________________________
City: _____________________________________________ State: ______
Zip:____________________ Phone: ________________________
E-mail: __________________________________________
Major and emphasis: ___________________________________________________________
Class standing: Soph _____ Junior _____ Senior _____ Anticipated Graduation: _______
Total GPA: _____________ Major GPA: ______________
Have you declared a minor in Africana Studies? Yes ___ No___
Are you from Africa? ___________________________________________________________
What type of financial aid are you applying for?
   Scholarship _____
   Internship _____
   Travel Grant _____
   Other _____ (please explain) ____________________________
Estimated financial need (e.g., semester tuition, travel costs, research budget)
___________________________________________________________________________
Are you currently working? Yes ___ No___ If so, how many hours per week? _______
List all other scholarships/loans and the amounts you have received for past semesters or will be receiving for the semester for which you are seeking aid:
____________________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________
I certify the information furnished on this form is true to the best of my knowledge. I further certify that if my status changes after I receive funds, I will notify the awards committee and understand that I may be asked to return the funds that have been awarded to me. I understand my academic records may be viewed by a review committee.

____________________________________________________________________________
Signature       Date
ATTACHMENTS

PERSONAL STATEMENT AND PROPOSAL

Write a short (1–2 page) personal statement that

1) describes your educational plans

2) describes your financial need and how you will use the funds you are applying for to accomplish your educational plans, and

3) discusses your personal connection to Africana Studies.

If you are applying for a scholarship to study abroad, to do an internship, or for a travel grant, please include an estimated budget.

If you are applying to support travel to conduct research or studies, you will need to also include a 1–2 page research proposal outlining your research question, its significance, and your plan for carrying out the research, including a budget.

REFERENCES

Please list two people who are familiar with your work. At least one must be a BYU professor.

Recommender #1: ________________________________ E-mail: ______________________

Recommender #2: ________________________________ E-mail: ______________________

APPLICATION AND ATTACHMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE APPROPRIATE DATE LISTED ON THE FIRST PAGE OF THIS DOCUMENT.