

# Khwezilomso Endowed Fund in Africana Studies

## DEADLINES FOR 2021-2022 APPLICATIONS:

**FALL 2021: AUGUST 1, 2021**

**WINTER 2022: NOVEMBER 22, 2021**

**SPRING/SUMMER 2022: MARCH 1, 2022**

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?**

Complete and sign the Khwezilomso Endowed Fund in Africana Studies application form and submit it, along with a current transcript, personal statement, and budget and research proposal if needed, as **one pdf file** to **Dr. Leslie Hadfield** via email by the appropriate deadline: [leslie\\_hadfield@byu.edu](mailto:leslie_hadfield@byu.edu).

Questions? Email Dr. Hadfield or call 801.422.8013.

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## Scholarship and Grant Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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 their amounts you have received for past semesters, or will be receiving for the semester for which you are seeking aid:

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I certify that 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 me. I understand my academic records may be viewed by a review committee.

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Signature

Date

## ATTACHMENTS

### TRANSCRIPT

Include a copy of your current academic transcript.

### PERSONAL STATEMENT AND PROPOSAL

Please consult the BYU Research and Writing Center guide on writing [personal statements](#) or the OWL [Writing the Personal Statement](#).

For the Khwezilomso Endowed Fund application, please write a short (1-2 pages) 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: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommender #2: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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