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2017 Beinecke Scholarships Information for University of Minnesota-Twin Cities Applicants

Current juniors with demonstrated financial need who intend to pursue a PhD or MFA in the arts, humanities, or social sciences may apply for the 2017 Beinecke Scholarships. For information about the scholarship, prospective applicants should see the scholarship website: www.beineckescholarship.org/.

The University is permitted to nominate one candidate per year for this national scholarship. The nominee will be selected by a campus nominating committee. To be considered for nomination, you must submit a complete application **by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 18, 2016**. You may submit your materials as email attachments to natschol@umn.edu with Beinecke Application and your last name in the subject line, or in hard copy to Timothy Jones, Beinecke Scholarship Campus Liaison, University Honors Program, 390 Northrop. A complete application includes the following materials. Your name must appear on all documents. Hard copy materials should not contain staples.

- A Beinecke Scholarship U of M Application Checksheet (attached)
- A current resume (up to two pages)
- A well-written personal statement of 1000 words or less describing your background, interests (especially your academic interests), plans for graduate study, and career aspirations. The statement should include a discussion of some experiences and ideas that have shaped those interests, plans, and aspirations.
- A one-paragraph financial need statement, mentioning types and amounts of scholarships and financial aid you receive or have received, and any other financial details that you consider relevant.
- A current unofficial University of Minnesota transcript plus transcripts from all other institutions where you have completed college coursework unless this appears on your UM transcript.

Your application must also include three letters of recommendation from faculty emphasizing intellectual curiosity, character, and potential for advanced graduate study. Recommendation letters are also due by **4:00 pm on Friday, November 18, 2016**. You may submit the recommendations, in sealed envelopes signed across the seal by the recommender, along with the rest of your hard copy application, OR you may ask your recommenders to submit their letters directly, either as PDF attachments to natschol@umn.edu, or in hard copy to this address:

Timothy Jones
Beinecke Scholarship Campus Liaison
University Honors Program
Suite 390, Northrop
84 Church St SE
Minneapolis, MN 55455

The campus nominating committee may conduct interviews in early December and will select a nominee shortly thereafter. The nominee will be given suggestions for revision before the final application is submitted to the Beinecke Scholarship Program by the national deadline of February 17, 2017.

If you have questions, contact Timothy Jones, natschol@umn.edu, 612-624-5522.