

University of Nebraska at Omaha

Maverick Service Scholarship

The University of Nebraska at Omaha will award service scholarships to new selected entering freshman students who have demonstrated exceptional volunteerism and leadership in high school. It is designed to recognize students who understand the need for volunteerism and wish to become involved with the UNO Service-Learning Academy which is committed to building bridges between the campus and the Omaha community.

Scholarship Amount: **\$1000** Non-Renewable scholarship (\$500 each term - Fall and Spring semesters)

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible to apply, the student must:

- Be admitted to UNO for Fall 2011 and plan to enroll full-time.
- Have demonstrated exceptional volunteerism and leadership in high school.
- Write an essay (minimum of 250 words) about your personal reflection of **one** of the following:
 - ✓ Which community service activity has meant the most to you and how has it influenced your plans for college or work in the future?
 - ✓ How has your community service affected your awareness regarding the importance and need for volunteerism?
 - ✓ How you have demonstrated leadership through community service?
- Provide a nomination letter which addresses your leadership skills & volunteerism (from a non-relative).
- Participate in **ONE** of the following **EACH semester** during your first year (participation must be documented):
 - ✓ UNO Service-Learning Academy project (such as Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service, Fall Break Service Project, Seven Days of Service, Global Youth Service Day).
 - ✓ A Fall Leadership Conference
 - ✓ A Spring Leadership Conference

OR

 - ✓ Enroll in a Service Learning Class through the UNO Service-Learning Academy.
- Have a minimum ACT 21 (comp. score), SAT 990 (critical reading / math) **OR** a minimum 2.50 cumulative high school GPA (on a 4.0 scale).
- Be a U.S. Citizen or resident alien.
- Be a resident of Nebraska or eligible for the Metropolitan Advantage Program (MAP) in Iowa

Deadline

- Application for the **Maverick Service Scholarship** must be postmarked by **May 1, 2011**.
- Application for Admission to UNO must be received on-line by May 1, 2011.

Scholarship Application Packet Checklist

In order for application to be considered, the following documents **must be sent in the same envelope**:

- Completed Maverick Service Scholarship Application
- Essay
- Resume – to include volunteer work and leadership activities
- Nomination letter

Award Notification

Recipients will be announced in May or June 2011.

Send Application Packet to:

Maverick Service Scholarship
UNO Service-Learning Academy
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Omaha, NE 68182

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