ODESSA COLLEGE
2015-2016 STUDENTS IN PHILANTHROPY
$1500 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Last Name __________________________ First Name __________________________ MI _______ School ID # _______________

Address __________________________ City __________________________ State _______ Zip _______________ Phone Number _______________

GPA (on a 4.0 scale) ________________ Previous School (high school or college) __________________________ Email Address _______________

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS:

• Letter of recommendation, preferably, from a teacher, school official or employer.
• Resume of extracurricular, community and employment activities including any awards/honors or other aspects of yourself that you would like the scholarship committee to know about.

What led you to participate in the activities listed on your resume? __________________________________________________________

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What have you accomplished in these activities that you think is important? ____________________________________________________

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Why do you want to participate in the Students in Philanthropy program? __________________________________________________

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CERTIFICATION
(please read the following statements carefully)

PLEASE INITIAL:

___ I AM ABLE TO ATTEND WEEKLY CLASS MEETINGS (TUESDAYS 12:30-1:30) No class/ No work conflicts.
___ I AM ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN BOTH THE FALL AND SPRING SEMESTERS OF THE SCHOOL YEAR.

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND, AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE GUIDELINES OF THE PROGRAM. I UNDERSTAND THAT, IF SELECTED, MEMBERSHIP IN THE PROGRAM MAY BE REVOKED IF I FAIL TO FULFILL THE REQUIREMENTS OF MEMBERSHIP. I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT PERMISSION IS GIVEN TO VERIFY AND QUALIFY ALL INFORMATION PROVIDED FOR THIS APPLICATION.

STUDENT SIGNATURE __________________________ DATE __________________________

PRIORITY DEADLINE: MAY 30th
ROLLING DEADLINE 15th of each month (as space remains)
Please submit completed application WITH ATTACHMENTS to
Odessa College, Student Financial Services, 201 West University, Odessa, Texas 79764, 432.335.6429
Students In Philanthropy Scholarship Class

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Odessa College Students in Philanthropy is an educational leadership program designed and underwritten by the Abell-Hanger Foundation to increase an awareness of the value and importance of service to the community through philanthropy. The OC Students in Philanthropy program provides a structured class designed to educate, support, and promote philanthropic leadership in the community. Participants will develop, implement, and evaluate a fundraiser during the fall semester. In the spring semester students will distribute their funds to various non-profit agencies that benefit the community of Odessa based on numerous criteria, including site visits. Students selected to participate in the program will participate for one full academic year. The scholarships are funded at the end of each semester after successful completion of all criteria has been met.

GUIDELINES & ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. APPLICATION – Students must complete and submit the Student in Philanthropy scholarship application, resume and letter of recommendation to the OC Student Financial Services office by the assigned deadline. A personal interview by the Students in Philanthropy Director with each qualified applicant may be required. Any application that is unsigned, incomplete, or without proper attachments will be deemed ineligible.

2. GPA – Incoming freshmen: minimum GPA of 3.1 on a 4.0 scale. College applicants: must have and maintain an overall GPA of 2.75 or higher.

3. HOURS OF ENROLLMENT: All participants must maintain a minimum course load of nine (9) credit hours per semester for the duration of the program.

4. CLASS MEETINGS – All participants must attend weekly class meetings on TUESDAYS FROM 12:30-1:30 throughout the program year. This time is not subject to change and is non-negotiable. It is the student’s responsibility to arrange all class or work schedules accordingly. Any student missing more than two meetings per semester will not receive funding.

5. COMMITMENT – Students must participate in both the fall and spring semesters of the academic year. Members are required to participate in all fundraising activities as well as various projects as determined by the Students in Philanthropy group.

6. COMPLIANCE – Students must comply with the Students in Philanthropy By-Laws and all related responsibilities and expectations.

7. SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT – Scholarships of $750.00 per semester will be awarded at the END of each semester after verification that all requirements have been met. Funds are to be utilized only for the student recipient awarded the scholarship and the express purpose for which funds are awarded.

8. LOSS OF ELIGIBILITY – Students will forfeit their scholarships and their membership will be revoked if they do not abide by the Students in Philanthropy guidelines and requirements as specified above.

Contact ocsip@grandecom.net with any questions.