Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer (LGBTQ)

Amanda Weitgenant Memorial Scholarship

North Dakota State University


About the NDSU LGBTQ/ Amanda Weitgenant Memorial Scholarship Fund
The LGBTQ Student Scholarship Fund was founded in 2009 by North Dakota State University faculty, staff, administrators, and alumni. The fund recognizes students’ affirmation of LGBTQ identification and/or service and leadership to the LGBTQ community. Award amount is $500. The scholarship has been dedicated to the memory and legacy of Amanda Weitgenant, 2013 recipient of the scholarship.

Eligibility

- Enrolled at North Dakota State University during the full 2016-2017 academic year
- Must have completed at least one (1) semester at NDSU
- LGBTQ identified and/or leadership or service in the LGBTQ community
- Satisfactory academic progress
- Preference will be given to those applicants who have not already received this scholarship

Award Terms

- To be applied to tuition, books, and/or fees through Financial Aid
- Valid only for the 2016-2017 academic year
- Award will be reported to Financial Aid as a scholarship

Judging Criteria

- Applicants’ affirmation of LGBTQ identity and/or commitment to the LGBTQ community
- Evidence of LGBTQ-related service, leadership or scholarship
- Evidence of serving, leading and working for change in LGBTQ communities, including as a role model, mentor, and/or adviser.

Application Process
Completed application must be received by 4pm, April 22:
LGBTQ/Amanda Weitgenant Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Kara Gravley-Stack, Director of Diversity Initiatives, Equity and Diversity Center, Alba Bales House, Fargo, ND 58108 or email to: n

For consideration, the following application materials must be submitted:

- Completed application form, including 500-word essay
- Names and contact information from two personal references who can speak to applicants’ demonstrated or potential leadership and service to the LGBTQ community.

For additional information, please contact the Director of Diversity Initiatives at Kara.Gravley-Stack@ndsu.edu
LGBTQ/ Amanda Weitgenant Memorial Scholarship Application
2016-2017

Name: ___________________________________________  NDSU ID#: ____________________________

E-mail address: ___________________________________  Telephone: ____________________________

Academic Major/Minor: _____________________________  Anticipated Graduation Date: ____________

Sexual Orientation (optional): _____ lesbian  _____ gay  _____ bisexual  _____ asexual  ____ other, __________

Gender Identity (optional):  ____ female  ____ male  ____ transgender  ____ other, ______________________

With your completed application, please include a brief, typewritten essay (no more than 500 words), answering the following questions.

How has your sexual orientation and/or gender identity shaped your experiences as a student at North Dakota State University? What recommendations would you make to improve the campus climate for LGBTQ students?

Confidentiality Statement & Press Release

Please Note: Your answers in this section do not affect your eligibility for the NDSU LGBTQ/ Amanda Weitgenant Memorial Scholarship. All documents received by the Selection Committee are considered confidential. However, some material, as approved below, is carefully selected from applications and recommendations to announce award recipients and to encourage additional giving to this important scholarship fund.

If chosen to receive an NDSU LGBTQ/ Amanda Weitgenant Memorial Scholarship, may NDSU make your name, academic major, hometown, and status as an NDSU student available to the press?

_____ Yes  _____ No

If chosen to receive an NDSU LGBTQ /Amanda Weitgenant Memorial Scholarship, may NDSU list your name at the Equity, Diversity and Global Outreach Division’s Green and Golden Globe Diversity Awards Ceremony?

_____ Yes  _____ No

If chosen to receive an NDSU LGBTQ /Amanda Weitgenant Memorial Scholarship, may NDSU use your name, essay, and photo for fund-raising purposes?

_____ Yes  _____ No

I verify that the information I have supplied is accurate and true to the best of my knowledge.

________________________  __________________________
Signature  Date