

NEWMAN CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER

CATHOLIC STUDIES GRANT

Application Form

**Due Date: Monday March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Local Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

*Tell us about your academic background*

Education:

High School \_\_\_\_\_

Current year in school: Fr. \_\_\_ Soph. \_\_\_ Jr. \_\_\_ Sr. \_\_\_ Grad \_\_\_ Prof. \_\_\_

Major(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Are you in Good Academic Standing? \_\_\_\_\_

Degrees received:

From what institution:

1 \_\_\_\_\_

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2 \_\_\_\_\_

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Degrees in progress \_\_\_\_\_ Current GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Application requirements:

- A. Write a proposal of issues or topics you wish to research and study including an explanation of your interest in pursuing these (maximum 4 pages). Note: it is not necessary that you have previous experience with grants. Try to be as creative and specific as possible in your description of what you propose to study. The key is to propose a topic that is researchable and that clearly relates to the application of Catholic principles to professional life. Keep in mind you must present your work in seminar format and must appropriately advertise your seminar to draw an audience. You will present your proposal to the Selection Committee as part of an interview.
- B. An Academic Letter of Reference by a current or past Instructor must be mailed to the Newman Center and received by Monday March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010. This Letter is intended to help the selection committee establish a history of the applicant's work ethic and dedication to research and presentation.
- C. Attach the proposal described above to this application form. All documents must be received at the Newman Center **no later than Monday March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010**. After which an interview with the selection committee will be scheduled.

The Catholic Studies Selection Committee: Professors Rita Frantz and Nicholas Colangelo and Charles Lynch

**Please see reverse side of application form**

Catholic Studies Grant Accountabilities:

1. Spring Community Orientation once finalists are chosen - before the end of the Spring Semester – Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010.
2. Week of Orientation - 1 week before classes begin in August 2010: Required reading.
  - ❖ Theology of the Church: History and Theory
  - ❖ Background and use of Scripture
  - ❖ Liturgy and Sacraments
  - ❖ Catholic Social Teaching
  - ❖ Principles of moral theology
  - ❖ Ministry in the Church
  - ❖ Prayer and Christian Lifestyle
3. Bi-weekly meeting with the Newman Center Mentor.
4. Choose a Faculty Mentor to help guide research.
5. Written deposits of Thesis material due on the 15<sup>th</sup> of September, October and November.
6. Final evaluation of Thesis material during the first week of December.
7. Submission of completed Thesis by January 30<sup>th</sup> and setup of mock presentation first week in February.
8. In the Fall semester meet twice with the selection committee for a progress report: around October 1<sup>st</sup> and November 30<sup>th</sup>.
9. Mid-year evaluation with selection committee.
10. Write up a summary of the experience and meet with the selection committee for an exit evaluation.

On-going Responsibilities:

- Monthly discussion with other Scholars/Fellows and Staff Mentors
- Periodically meet with faculty mentor
- 1<sup>st</sup> semester: Research and Thesis development
- 2<sup>nd</sup> semester: Present Thesis in Seminar format (2 or 3 sessions, weekly)

Grant stipend distribution:

- ◆ \$1,000 at start of 1<sup>st</sup> semester
- ◆ \$1,000 at end of 1<sup>st</sup> semester
- ◆ \$1,000 at end of 2<sup>nd</sup> semester

Personal Expectations and Accountability:

- ◆ Grantee will be required to sign a Catholic Studies Grant Agreement