BLAINE T. AND JEAN W. WILLIAMS ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP IN SOCIOLOGY

Department of Sociology and Anthropology The University of Texas at Arlington <u>Application for Fall 2013</u>

General Information

The Blaine T. and Jean W. Williams Endowed Scholarship in Sociology was established in 2011. Blaine T. Williams, Sr., and his wife, Jean Wood Williams, were pioneers in the Dallas-Fort Worth sociology and social work community. In 1968, B.T. Williams, Sr., was named founding chairman of the Sociology Department at the University of Texas at Arlington. His dedication to and support of his students was legendary. Jean Williams worked for what became the United Way of Tarrant County from 1966-1987, first as Director of the Volunteer Center of Ft. Worth. Later, she helped found "First Call for Help" which is now known as "2-1-1 Texas." She spearheaded the gathering of information about the community's disparate social services into one central referral system – a system that is now taken for granted in an 11-county area of North Texas. The passion of these two pioneers, individually and as a couple, for their work influenced countless others to make their own mark in the fields of sociology and social work. The award is granted annually to a junior or senior majoring in Sociology at the University of Texas at Arlington.

Award

\$1,000 will be credited to the recipient's University of Texas at Arlington student account for the fall 2013 semester.

Eligibility Requirements

- 1. The award must be used for study at the University of Texas at Arlington
- 2. Applicants must be a Junior or Senior in the Fall Semester of the same calendar year as the application deadline.
- 3. Applicants can be full-time or part-time students.
- 4. Applicants must be pursuing study toward a degree in Sociology.
- 5. Preference will be given to students who have had an interruption in their education.
- 6. Preference will be given to students who have had to overcome personal obstacles in pursuit of their educational goals.
- 7. Applicants must demonstrate financial need.

Application Materials

Please submit a completed application form (available from the Sociology and Anthropology web page: http://www.uta.edu/socio-anthro/socio/scholarships.html), an unofficial transcript (these are free of charge; see: www.uta.edu/transcripts), and an essay (1,000 words or less) that discusses 1) why you are a sociology major, 2) what you plan to do with your degree as well as 3) any interruptions in your education, 4) personal obstacles you have overcome in the pursuit of your educational goals, and/or 5) financial need. Only complete files postmarked or received by 5:00 PM, Thursday, April 4, 2013 will be considered.

Submit All Materials To:

Department of Sociology and Anthropology The University of Texas at Arlington Box 19599 Arlington, TX 76019

Attention: Chair, Student Awards and Scholarship Committee

The deadline for submission is 5:00 PM, Thursday, April 4, 2013.

Please direct any questions to the Department of Sociology and Anthropology (telephone: 817-272-2661).