

## **MLK, Jr.**

Martin  
Luther  
King, Jr.  
Book Stipend  
Award

# **Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BOOK STIPEND AWARD 2010-2011 APPLICATION GENERAL INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS**

## **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK) Book Stipend Award is to assist Florida State University students in completing their education. MLK Book Stipend Awards are available on a competitive basis to both undergraduate and graduate students.

## **AWARD**

Three awards will be given from the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, and an additional three from the Black Alumni Association, for a total of six awards. ***Awards will be for the amount of \$350, and will be given to three undergraduate students, and three graduate students.*** Awards will be available at the FSU Cashier's Office prior to Fall 2010 registration.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

Due to the sources of funding for this award, there are two sets of eligibility criteria. Recipients of the Black Alumni Association awards must identify as African American/Black students. Awards from the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs are open to students of ALL racial and ethnic backgrounds.

**All applicants must be Florida State University students who meet the following criteria:** Applicants must be United States citizens who have completed at least fifteen (15) credit hours of college work at Florida State University prior to submission of their application. In addition, all applicants must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 and must plan to be enrolled full time at Florida State University for the 2010-2011 academic year. A full-time undergraduate student must carry a minimum of twelve (12) credit hours. A full-time graduate student must carry a minimum of six (6) credit hours. Students serving on the committee to choose award recipients are not eligible to receive the award.

## **PREVIOUS RECIPIENTS**

Applications are reviewed each year by different review committees; therefore, all previous recipients must update all information requested with each new application.

## **APPLICATION DEADLINE**

Applications may be mailed or hand delivered, and must be received in the Office of Multicultural Affairs, Room 211A Oglesby Union by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, ***November 24, 2009***. No exceptions or extensions will be made beyond the ***November 24, 2009 deadline***. Award recipients will be notified approximately one month following the deadline. No prior acknowledgements are made to applicants.

## **PERSONAL STATEMENT**

Please attach to this application a one to two-page typed personal statement, which addresses the following:

1. Achievements
2. Current higher education status
3. Career goals
4. Racial heritage - if applying for the Black Alumni Association Award (African American / Black)

**This statement is one of the most important parts of the application** and is equivalent to an interview. Accordingly, it should be addressed solely to the MLK Book Stipend Award Selection Committee. Substitute personal statements and resumes intended for other institutional admission or selection committees will result in fewer points.

## **TRANSCRIPT (unofficial copy accepted)**

A transcript of recent college work must accompany the application and is due on *November 24, 2009*. First-year graduate students must request an official transcript from the institution(s) where the degree(s) was (were) earned.

## **REFERENCE**

One letter of recommendation is required, preferably from a school official that can discuss the applicant's academic and personal achievements, as well as the potential for future success. The recommendation should comment on the applicant's present enrollment, academic status, and ranking among peers. It will be helpful if the letter addresses personal qualities such as maturity, motivation, self-confidence, leadership and commitment. The letter should be sent in a sealed envelope with a signature across the seal and should include the application. The entire package should be postmarked no later than *November 24, 2009*. Please do not send copies of letters sent to other admission and selection committees as substitutes. The letter must be from the reference writer directly to the MLK Stipend Award Selection Committee

## **SELECTION**

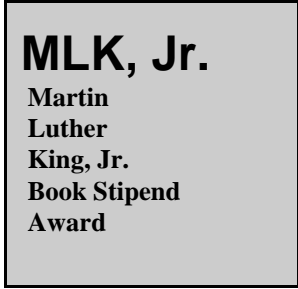
MLK Book Stipend Award recipients are chosen by a review committee, which will meet during the review process to evaluate applications on the following criteria:

1. Academic achievement
2. Personal qualities and strengths
3. Letter of recommendation

The total package should include the items listed below:

1. Application form
2. Personal statement
3. Transcript (unofficial accepted)
4. Letter of recommendation

**Send to: Office of Multicultural Affairs  
MLK Book Stipend Selection Committee  
A 211 Oglesby Union  
Tallahassee, FL 32306-4015**



# APPLICATION FORM

Please read the general information and instructions before completing the application. Responses to all items must be typed. All applications must be postmarked **by November 24, 2009.**

**Student Status:** \_\_\_ Undergraduate \_\_\_ Graduate

1. Name: Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_

2. Local Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

3. Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Social-Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Place of birth (City and State) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Permanent address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

5. Are you a United States citizen? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

7. Name of FSU college in which enrolled fall 2010: \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Hours: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Major \_\_\_\_\_

9. Present grade point average (undergrad students) \_\_\_\_\_

10. Are you a recent transfer student from a community college? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

11. If you are a graduate student, list your undergraduate grade point average: \_\_\_\_\_

## CERTIFICATION

All of the information contained in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I hereby give the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Book Stipend Award Selection Committee permission to share this information for the purpose of recruitment, public relations, and possible employment. I certify that I am currently enrolled as a full-time college student for the 2009-2010 academic year and will use the MLK Book Stipend Award toward expenses related to attendance at Florida State University. I further certify that I plan to enroll full-time at Florida State University for the 2010-2011 academic year. I understand that if all eligibility requirements are not fulfilled, then affirmation of the MLK Book Stipend Award will not be established.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

