

Multi Ethnic Resource Center Leadership and Service

Scholarship Application

Due January 31

The Multi Ethnic Resource Center (MERC) Leadership and Service Scholarship was developed to provide financial assistance for new and returning students of color who are committed to strengthening their leadership skills, while assisting the MERC in promoting a variety of cultural and ethnic resources to the Bethany campus and community.

Students who receive this scholarship will take an active role in the Multi Ethnic Resource Center's mission through their participation in the planning and realization of educational programs, speaker's series, and other special events sponsored or co-sponsored by the MERC.

The scholarship is renewable for the amount of \$1,000 per semester for full-time students, and \$500 per semester for part-time students (at least 9 credits).

Qualifications for this Scholarship

Students of color who have been admitted into Bethany Lutheran College may apply. Included with this application form must be: two letters of recommendation (from a teacher, coach, counselor, or employer), and a 200-word essay explaining the importance of being able to provide cultural and ethnic resources to the campus community.

The Multi Ethnic Resource Center's mission is to provide resources and educational opportunities, which promote an understanding and appreciation for the rich cultural heritage and ethnic history of individuals on campus, as well as the community.

Requirements

- Student of color: (Hispanic, African American, Asian, American Indian, etc.)
- Admittance into Bethany Lutheran College as a full-time or part-time student
- Remain in good academic standing according to Bethany requirements
- Be an active participant of the MERC Student Planning Committee, MERC Executive Committee, MERC Volunteer Group, or MERC Resource Library
- Regular attendance at the MERC meetings (approximately two times per month)

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Name: _____
(last) (first) (middle)

Address _____ Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

Email Address _____

Ethnic Background: American Indian/Alaska Native Asian Black/African American
 Hispanic/Latino(a)/Chicano(a) Multiracial: _____
 Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander

High School Name _____

City _____ State _____

Upcoming Semester Enrollment Status (Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, or Senior) _____

Applying as a: Full-time Student Part-time Student
 Returning Student New Student

Briefly list any leadership, service, and volunteer experiences you have had.

Completed applications must be received by January 31.

Please mail or fax your completed application, letters of recommendation and essays together to:

Multi Ethnic Resource Center Coordinator
Bethany Lutheran College
700 Luther Drive
Mankato, MN 56001

Fax: 507-344-7376

If you have any questions, please contact Thomas Flunker at **507-344-7577** or email **tflunker@blc.edu**.