

Morris K. Udall Scholarship

Purpose: Honor's the legislative legacy of Congressman Morris K. Udall by encouraging talented students interested in concerns championed by Congressman Udall during his 30 years of public service.

Award: Eighty scholarships, one year duration, of up to \$5,000 each for tuition, fees, books, room and board, or other specifically approved expense. Fifty honorable mentions are awarded at \$350 each. Students must use the scholarship during the Junior or Senior year at USI.

Eligibility: US citizen, US national, or US permanent resident
Minimum GPA 3.0

College junior (one more year of full-time study remaining after current academic year) or sophomore (two years of full time studies remaining after current academic year)

Demonstrated commitment to one of the following three areas:

1. Environment including policy, science, engineering, education, urban planning and renewal, business, health, economics, justice, natural resource issues (all students)
2. Tribal public policy (Native American or Alaska Native students)
3. Native American health care (Native American or Alaska Native students)

Selection Criteria: Commitment is demonstrated through substantial contributions to and participation in one or more of the following: campus activities, research, tribal involvement, community or public service, any relevant volunteer work and activism. The course of study and proposed career are likely to lead to a position where the nominee can make significant contributions in shaping environmental or tribal public policy or Native American health care issues through scientific advances, public or political service, or community action. Leadership, character, the desire to make a difference, and general well-roundedness are all considered.

Deadlines: Campus deadline is December 15 in order to meet the foundation deadline in early March. USI can nominate a maximum of 6 individuals

Application: The nomination and application information must be submitted on forms from the Foundation's website, or on photocopies of these forms. Application cannot be handwritten and must include the following:

1. Completed institution nomination form with signature
2. Completed, signed Udall Scholarship Application including a resume and short essay questions describing experiences relevant to the award
3. Signed and dated 800 word essay discussing a significant public speech, legislative act, or public policy statement by Congressman Udall and its impact on your field of study, interests and career goals
4. Current transcript
5. Additional transcripts
6. Three letters of recommendation
7. Copy of tribal enrollment card or other verification (for applicants in tribal policy and Native American health care)
8. Copy of permanent resident card and letter of intent to become a U.S. citizen (for U.S. permanent residents)
9. Voluntary survey form

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Other: A four day Scholar's Orientation Weekend in the summer after selection is mandatory.

More information is available at www.udall.gov