Thank you for your interest in applying for campus nomination to the Truman Scholarship competition at the University of Iowa. We look forward to your questions and to your applications. Prospective applicants are encouraged to contact Kelly Thornburg, Director of Scholar Development as soon as they are aware of their interest in this and any other fellowship opportunity at 335-1874 or at kelly-thornburg@uiowa.edu.

Establishing an early connection to the scholar development resources, workshop opportunities and tailored fellowship advising we are able to offer prospective applicants serves everyone involved in this challenging, but extraordinarily rewarding process.

Truman Scholarship Competition | Important Dates

- October 27, 2014 | UI Campus Deadline to Apply for Institutional Endorsement
- Second Week of November | UI Campus Nomination Interviews
- Tuesday, February 3, 2015 | Official Application Deadline

Each campus application submitted to the UI Undergraduate Fellowships Committee must include the following:

- A complete nominee application – Page 1 of the Truman Application,
- Full (and fully proofread) responses to Items 1 through 15,
- A Policy Proposal,
- A current UI Transcript – Please request a copy to be shared with Kelly Thornburg, Director of Scholar Development through UI Campus Mail at 431 BHC.
- Additional academic transcripts representing any graded course NOT represented on your transcript.
  Students should request their official transcripts within a week of being notified of their selection as a UI nominee.
- Three recommendations – The Foundation requests the inclusion of a DRAFT letter covering each of the following topics:
  - Leadership Abilities and Potential – Corresponds to Question 7 in the application
  - Commitment to a Career in Public Service
  - Intellect and Prospects for Continuing Academic Success

To submit your campus application package to our Director of Scholar Development and the Undergraduate Fellowships Committee for consideration, please share an electronic copy of each of the components listed above with us by emailing all documents EXCEPT letters of recommendation to kelly-thornburg@uiowa.edu in a SINGLE message titled “Last Name, First Name – 2014 Truman Scholarship Campus Application”. Your referees should share their-confidential letters of recommendation with the UFC electronically by the UI Campus Application Deadline by emailing signed copies to kelly-thornburg@uiowa.edu.

If campus applicants or referees are not able to meet the established deadline, they are encouraged to contact Kelly Thornburg, Director of Scholar Development to request a brief extension. and the members of the UFC will evaluate each request individually, but reserve the right to deny the request for an extension if it will impede our ability to conduct the endorsement process in a timely and respectful fashion.

1. List the secondary school from which you graduated, and all higher education institutions attended. Include summer, studyabroad, exchange programs and your nominating institution (up to six)

2. List college and high school activities (student government, sports, publications, school-sponsored community service programs, student-faculty committees, arts, music, etc.) List in descending order of significance. You will have space for eight college and four high school activities. A brief description should be included in the Activity Column.
3. List public service and community activities (homeless services, environmental protection/conservation, advocacy activities, work with religious organizations, etc.) Do not repeat items listed previously. List indescending order of significance. You will have space to list six.

4. List government activities (internships with government agencies, partisan political activities, ROTC/military, municipal boards and commissions). List student government activity under Item 2.

5. List part-time and full-time jobs and non-governmental internships since high school graduation.

6. List awards, scholarships, publications, or special recognitions you have received in descending order of significance

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**Application Essays**

7. **Describe one specific example of your leadership. Please note: The writer of your Leadership Recommendation letter must also be able to offer perspective on the experience you explore in this essay.**

8. **Describe a recent particularly satisfying public service activity**

9. **Describe the problem or needs of society you want to address when you enter public service. (If possible use statistical data to define the magnitude of the problem.)**

10. **What are the three most significant courses you have taken in preparation for you career? Briefly explain why these courses were most significant.**

11. **If selected as a Truman Scholar, would you apply for the Washington Summer Institute? IF yes, where would you like to work and what issues would you like to address? If no, what are your pans for the summer after you graduate?**

12. **Describe the graduate education program you intend to pursue if you receive a Truman Scholarship.**

13. **What do you hope to do and what position do you hope to have upon completing your graduate studies**

14. **What do you hope to do and what position do you hope to have five to seven years later?**

15. **What additional personal information do you wish to share with the Truman Scholarship Foundation**

16. **Policy Proposal: The proposal must be related to the problems you identified in Item 9. Do not exceed 500 words.**

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