

ARE YOU A STRONG CANDIDATE FOR THE HARRY S. TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP?

If you can put a check beside each of the following statements, you should be a strong candidate for a Truman Scholarship. If more than two do not apply, the Truman Scholarship is probably not right for you.

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS (MUST BE MET)

- At the time I apply, I will be a full-time student pursuing a bachelor's degree with junior-level academic standing; or, I have senior-level standing in my third year of college enrollment. Note: Students who are already attending graduate school are not eligible for the Truman Scholarship.
- I am a U.S. citizen (or a U.S. national) or I expect to receive my citizenship by the date the Scholarship will be awarded.

CAREER AND GRADUATE STUDY INTERESTS

- I hope to be a "change agent," in time, improving the ways that government agencies, nonprofit organizations, or educational institutions serve the public.
- There are conditions in our society or the environment which trouble me.
- I want to work in government, education, the nonprofit sector, or the public interest/advocacy sector to improve these conditions.
- I am comfortable committing to work in public service for three of the first seven years after I complete a Foundation-funded graduate degree.
- I would like to get a master's degree, a doctorate, or a professional degree such as a law degree or a Master of Public Administration, Master of Public Health, Master of Social Work, Master of Education, Master of Public Policy, or Master of International Affairs.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AND ACADEMIC RECORD

- I have participated extensively in two or more of the following sets of activities:
 - Student government and/or campus-based extracurricular activities;
 - Community service-related activities that were not organized by my school or by my fraternity/sorority;
 - Government internships, commissions or boards, advocacy or interest groups, nonpartisan political activities, or military/ROTC ;
 - Partisan political activities and campaigns.
- I have been involved with organizations or activities related to my career interests.
- I have demonstrated some of my leadership potential.
- I have sufficiently strong grades and coursework to gain admittance to a first-rate graduate institution.
- I read regularly a good national newspaper and a thoughtful periodical.
- I have had one or more courses relating to my career interests.

OTHER IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTICS OR ABILITIES

- I would appreciate external affirmation of my values and goals.
- I would like to become associated with Truman Scholar "change agents."
- I am capable of analyzing a public issue in my intended career area and presenting my findings in a one-page memo to a government official who could take action.
- I am willing to prepare an outstanding application and policy proposal under the supervision of my Truman Faculty Representative.
- I believe I could hold my own in a challenging interview conducted by a panel of prominent public servants, educators, and former Truman Scholars.
- I could use \$30,000 to continue my education.