

GRADUATE STUDIES

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AWARDS 2007-2008



MASTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY



MASTER IN TEACHING



MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

The Evergreen State College Graduate Support Services Lab I, Room 3019 Olympia, WA 98505

The Graduate Studies Support Services Office makes available fellowships, graduate assistantships and other aid to persons admitted to one of the graduate programs: Master of Environmental Study (MES), Master in Teaching (MIT), or Master of Public Administration (MPA). This packet describes financial aid opportunities available for the 2007-08 academic year. The programs make a strong effort to award aid to as many students as possible, contingent upon the availability of funds. These awards are provided **in addition** to other "need-based" financial aid offered through The Evergreen State College Financial Aid Office (Library 1218, 360-867-6205).

Financial Aid Awards Application Process

- □ Complete the 2007-08 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Submit it to the processor as directed on the form;
- Complete the Evergreen Financial Aid Data Sheet. Submit to Evergreen's Financial Aid Office (Library 1218);
- Complete the Evergreen Application Form for Financial Aid for Graduate Students and submit it to the Graduate Studies Support Services Office (Lab I, Room 3019)
- Prepare the materials required for the specific awards for which you are applying letter(s) of intent addressing the criteria of the awards, resume, letters of recommendation, etc. See the individual award descriptions for details. Submit these to the Graduate Studies Support Services Office.

A printed copy of the FAFSA can be obtained from our Financial Aid Office by calling 360-867-6205. It can also be completed online at <u>http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/</u> beginning January 1, 2007.

The Financial Aid Data Sheet is available from our Financial Aid Office, or online at <u>http://www.evergreen.edu/financialaid/</u>.

"Financial need" is determined by Evergreen's Financial Aid Office after receipt and processing of the FAFSA. We cannot consider you in our award process until this information is on file. Because funds are limited, it is suggested that you submit your FAFSA to the processor and the Financial Aid Data Sheet to the Office of Financial Aid as early as possible after January 1, 2007.

For priority consideration, we need to have all of your financial aid application materials on file by our financial aid priority deadline. This means that your FAFSA should be submitted in time to be processed and your Student Aid Report sent to our Financial Aid Office (see the FAFSA instructions for information on processing time); your Evergreen Financial Aid Data Sheet must be on file in our Financial Aid Office; and Application Form for Financial Aid for Graduate Students, and all the accompanying materials, must be on file with the Graduate Studies Support Services Office. This priority deadline for MES is March 15; for MIT and MPA, it is May 1. For MPA and MIT students, the deadline to apply for the TESC Alumni Association Graduate Scholarship is April 16.

Awards applications may be submitted after these dates, but the funds available may be limited.

IMPORTANT

Applicants must submit all required materials for each scholarship and award. We recommend submitting all these materials together to be sure that your application(s) are complete, as we are not always able to immediately acknowledge their receipt.

To be eligible for a scholarship or tuition award, you must be offered admission to the college or be currently enrolled. Therefore, it is critical that new students complete the application for admission as early as possible.

Tuition and fees for 2007-2008 are subject to change by the Washington State Legislature.

Notification of awards begins after April 1 for MES, and June 1 for MIT and MPA, and continues through September 1.

If you have questions about the admission process, please contact the pertinent graduate program directly.

MIT	Maggie Foran	(360) 867-6559	foranm@evergreen.edu
MES	J.T. Austin	(360) 867-6225	austinj@evergreen.edu
MPA	Mary McGhee	(360) 867-6554	mcgheem@evergreen.edu
MPA Tribal Governance	Mike McCanna	360-867-6202	mccannam@evergreen.edu

AWARDS

For your convenience, awards are listed by program.

MASTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY

Graduate Endowed Fellowship

Approximately \$6,000 distributed among one or more applicants from the MES program.

Criteria:

- Primary consideration given to financial need.
- Secondary consideration given to students who demonstrate a commitment to the environment, continued intellectual and professional development, and to effect change.

Required:

 A separate letter of intent not to exceed two (2) pages, addressed to the name of the scholarship, Selection Committee, c/o JT Austin, Assistant Director – Graduate Program on the Environment (MES).

TESC Foundation Graduate Awards

Approximately \$6,600 distributed among one or more applicants from the MES program.

Criteria:

• For MES: Primary consideration is given to students who demonstrate a commitment to the environment, continued intellectual and professional development, and to effect change. Financial need and academic merit may also be taken into consideration when making award decisions.

Required:

 A separate letter of intent not to exceed two (2) pages, addressed to the name of the scholarship, Selection Committee, c/o JT Austin, Assistant Director – Graduate Program on the Environment (MES).

Washington State Resident Tuition Waiver

Up to 12 one quarter tuition waivers divided among applicants with Washington State residency.

Criteria:

• Student must be a Resident. Financial need and academic merit may be considered when making award decisions. Preference given to students enrolled for 12 credit hours per quarter; secondary consideration given to students enrolled for 8 credit hours per quarter.

Non-Resident Tuition Waiver

Four awards of \$3,000 each awarded to out-of-state student applicants from the MES program.

Criteria:

• Student must be a Non-Resident. Financial need and academic merit may be considered when making award decisions. Preference given to students enrolled for 12 credit hours per quarter; secondary consideration given to students enrolled for at least 8 credit hours per quarter.

Graduate Assistantships

Approximately \$4,300 (total) will be distributed among one to four applicants from the MES program. Students who are awarded Graduate Assistantships will work with the Assistant Director to complete program-related projects. Graduate Assistants are paid at an hourly rate and this pay is subject to taxes.

Assistantship duties may include: arranging special program events for the Director or Assistant Director; managing administrative projects for Assistant Director; editing, writing and compiling the MES program newsletter; maintaining and updating the program Website; completing research and recruitment projects; working with alumni database, surveys, records; and other tasks as assigned.

Criteria:

- Primary consideration based on qualifications for duties, defined by the academic performance and/or work experience of the applicant.
- Secondary consideration given to financial need.

Required:

• resume of qualification and work experience.

TESC Alumni Association Graduate Scholarship

\$1,000 awarded to one MES, MPA or MIT student. *Applications are due April 16. Criteria:*

- Commitment to chosen field of study.
- Statement that addresses your reasons for selecting Evergreen for graduate study.
- Secondary consideration given to financial need.

Required:

 A separate letter of intent not to exceed two (2) pages, addressed to the name of the scholarship, Selection Committee, c/o JT Austin, Assistant Director – Graduate Program on the Environment (MES).

AmeriCorps Education Award

Up to one quarter of resident tuition. *Criteria:*

• Demonstrated commitment to community service and explanation of how AmeriCorps and the Education Award have impacted your desire to attend graduate school.

Required:

 A separate letter of intent not to exceed two (2) pages, addressed to the name of the scholarship, Selection Committee, c/o JT Austin, Assistant Director -Graduate Program on the Environment (MES). • One letter of recommendation, preferably from an AmeriCorps supervisor, supporting your application, and evidence of having completed one year of service and received the full \$4,725 education award.

Judge Fuller Graduate Fellowship

Two awards of \$1,000 each are offered to applicants enrolled in one of the three graduate programs (MES, MPA and MIT). These two awards are open to applicants from all three of the graduate programs.

Criteria:

 Describe how your previous volunteer or work experience; past, current or proposed course of study; and/or career goals in education, public policy, health, welfare, or the environment have benefited or intend to benefit young children living in or near poverty conditions. Explain clearly since the selection committee may not consist of specialists in your field.

Required:

 A separate letter of intent not to exceed two (2) pages, addressed to the name of the scholarship, Selection Committee, c/o JT Austin, Assistant Director – Graduate Program on the Environment (MES).

Work/Study

Work/Study funds come from the U.S. Department of Education, the State of Washington or The Evergreen State College. Work/Study funds can be used for oncampus jobs or off-campus jobs with not-for-profit entities, including federal, state and local government agencies. A total of three awards of \$3,000 each will be awarded to MES applicants.

Criteria:

- Primary consideration given to financial need.
- Secondary consideration given to the applicant's stated interest in working oncampus or at an appropriate off-campus agency.

Required:

• resume of qualifications and work experience.

The Sara Bilezikian Memorial Fellowship

One year full-time in-state tuition. This Fellowship is awarded every other year and is **available in 2004, 2006, and 2008**.

Criteria:

• Applicants must demonstrate his or her commitment to environmental protection, environmental advocacy and social justice.

Required:

 Each applicant must submit a letter speaking to his or her past experience with environmental protection, environmental advocacy and social justice, how his or her studies in the MES program fits into their long-term plans, how completing the MES program will help achieve his or her goals, and what he or she plans to do upon graduation from the MES program.

MASTER IN TEACHING

TESC Foundation Graduate Awards

Approximately \$6,600 will be distributed among one or more applicants from the MIT program.

Criteria:

- Primary consideration based on unique, life experience that has brought the student(s) to the MIT program, conditions demonstrating a commitment to a career in teaching.
- Secondary consideration given to financial need.

Required:

• A separate letter of intent not to exceed two (2) pages, addressed to the name of the scholarship, Selection Committee, c/o Maggie Foran, Associate Director, Master in Teaching Program.

Washington State Resident Tuition Waiver

Up to 18 one quarter tuition waivers divided among several MIT students with residency.

Student must be a Washington resident. Financial need and academic merit will be considered.

Non-Resident Tuition Waiver

Five awards of \$6,000 (\$2,000 per quarter) awarded to out-of-state student applicants new or continuing in the MIT program.

Criteria:

• Student must be a non-resident. Commitment to Evergreen's MIT program, financial need and academic merit will be considered when making award decisions.

Required:

 A separate letter of intent not to exceed two (2) pages, addressed to the Selection Committee, c/o Maggie Foran, Associate Director, Master in Teaching Program.

Graduate Assistantship

Up to \$4,000 (total) will be provided to one or more MIT students. A Graduate Assistant works with the program staff to complete program-related projects. The Graduate Assistantship is paid at an hourly rate and this pay is subject to taxes. *Criteria:*

- Primary consideration based strong academic performance and demonstration of high potential, and/or work experience of the applicant.
- Secondary consideration given to financial need.

Required:

• resume of qualifications and work experience.

TESC Alumni Association Graduate Scholarship

\$1,000 awarded to one MES, MPA or MIT student. Applications are due April 16.

Criteria:

- Commitment to chosen field of study.
- Statement that addresses your reasons for selecting Evergreen for graduate study.
- Secondary consideration given to financial need.

Required:

• A separate letter of intent not to exceed two (2) pages, addressed to the name of the scholarship, Selection Committee, c/o Maggie Foran, Associate Director, Master in Teaching Program.

AmeriCorps Education Award

Up to one quarter of resident tuition. *Criteria:*

• Demonstrated commitment to community service and explanation of how AmeriCorps and the Education Award have impacted your desire to attend graduate school.

Required:

- A separate letter of intent not to exceed two (2) pages, addressed to the name of the scholarship, Selection Committee, c/o Maggie Foran, Associate Director, Master in Teaching Program.
- One letter of recommendation, preferably from an AmeriCorps supervisor, supporting your application, and evidence of having completed one year of service and received the full \$4,725 education award.

Lloyd Colfax Indian Education Scholarship

One full-year, in-state, tuition waiver for 3 quarters. Priority given to first year students in the MIT program.

Criteria:

• Merit-based scholarship for Native American student(s) with a documented commitment to a Native American community and the education of Native American youth.

Required:

• A separate letter of intent not to exceed two (2) pages, addressed to the name of the scholarship, Selection Committee, c/o Maggie Foran, Associate Director, Master in Teaching Program.

Hearst Endowment Award for Future Native American Teachers

Two awards of \$2,500. Priority given to second year students in the MIT program. *Criteria:*

• Merit-based scholarship for Native American student(s) with a documented commitment to a Native American community and the education of Native American youth.

Required:

• A separate letter of intent not to exceed two (2) pages, addressed to the name of the scholarship, Selection Committee, c/o Maggie Foran, Associate Director, Master in Teaching Program.

Work/Study

Work/Study funds come from the U.S. Department of Education, the State of Washington or The Evergreen State College. Work/Study funds can be used for oncampus jobs or off-campus jobs with not-for-profit entities, including federal, state and local government agencies. A total of three awards of \$3,000 each will be awarded to MIT applicants (preference given to first year students able to assist MIT program staff with projects).

Criteria:

- Primary consideration given to financial need.
- Secondary consideration given to the applicant's stated interest in working oncampus or at an appropriate off-campus agency.

Required:

• resume of qualifications and work experience.

Master In Teaching Diversity Scholarship

Approximately \$1,200 distributed among several MIT students. *Criteria:*

- Primary consideration given to students who have a proven history of involvement with diversity issues or a considered plan for addressing diversity issues in their future classrooms.
- Secondary consideration given to financial need.

Required:

 A separate letter of intent not to exceed two (2) pages, addressed to the name of the scholarship, Selection Committee, c/o Maggie Foran, Associate Director, Master in Teaching Program.

Judge Fuller Graduate Fellowship (MIT: second year)

Two awards of \$1,000 offered to students enrolled in a graduate program. *Criteria:*

 Describe how your previous volunteer or work experience; past, current or proposed course of study; and/or career goals in education, public policy, health, welfare, or the environment have benefited or intend to benefit young children living in or near poverty conditions. Explain clearly since the selection committee may not consist of specialists in your field.

Required:

• A separate letter of intent not to exceed two (2) pages, addressed to the name of the scholarship, Selection Committee, c/o Maggie Foran, Associate Director, Master in Teaching Program.

MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Graduate Endowed Fellowship

Approximately \$6,000 distributed among several applicants from the MPA program. *Criteria:*

- Primary consideration given to financial need.
- Secondary consideration given to students who demonstrate a commitment to continued intellectual and professional development.

Required:

 A separate letter of intent not to exceed two pages, mentioning the name of the scholarship, addressed to the Selection Committee, and submitted with the Application Form for Financial Aid for Graduate Students.

TESC Foundation Graduate Awards

Approximately \$6,600 will be distributed among one or more applicants from the MPA program.

Criteria:

Primary consideration given to financial need.

Required:

• A separate letter of intent not to exceed two pages, mentioning the name of the scholarship, addressed to the Selection Committee, and submitted with the Application Form for Financial Aid for Graduate Students.

TESC Alumni Association Graduate Award

\$1,000 awarded to one MES, MPA or MIT student. *Applications are due April 16. Criteria:*

- Commitment to chosen field of study.
- Statement that addresses your reasons for selecting Evergreen for graduate study
- Secondary consideration given to financial need.

Required:

• A separate letter of intent not to exceed two pages, mentioning the name of the scholarship, addressed to the Selection Committee, and submitted with the Application Form for Financial Aid for Graduate Students.

John Walker Fellowship

Approximately \$400 awarded to one woman in the MPA Program, preference given to women of color and/or over thirty.

Criteria:

- Primary consideration given to demonstrated commitment to continued intellectual and professional development.
- Secondary consideration given to financial need.

Required:

• A separate letter of intent not to exceed two pages, mentioning the name of the scholarship, addressed to the Selection Committee, and submitted with the Application Form for Financial Aid for Graduate Students.

Judge Fuller Graduate Fellowship

Two awards of \$1,000 each are offered to students enrolled in one of the three graduate programs (MES, MPA and MIT). These two awards are open to applicants from all three of the graduate programs.

Criteria:

 Describe how your previous volunteer or work experience; past, current or proposed course of study; and/or career goals in education, public policy, health, welfare, or the environment have benefited or intend to benefit young children living in or near poverty conditions. Explain clearly since the selection committee may not consist of specialists in your field.

Required:

• A separate letter of intent not to exceed two pages, mentioning the name of the scholarship, addressed to the Selection Committee, and submitted with the Application Form for Financial Aid for Graduate Students.

AmeriCorps Education Award

Up to one quarter of resident tuition. *Criteria:*

• Demonstrated commitment to community service and explanation of how AmeriCorps and the Education Award have impacted your desire to attend graduate school.

Required:

- A separate letter of intent not to exceed two pages, mentioning the name of the scholarship, addressed to the Selection Committee, and submitted with the Application Form for Financial Aid for Graduate Students.
- One letter of recommendation, preferably from an AmeriCorps supervisor, supporting your application, and evidence of having completed one year of service and received the full \$4,725 education award.

MPA Tribal Governance Award

Up to ten awards of \$1,500 each to students pursuing the MPA concentration in Tribal Governance.

Criteria:

- Primary consideration will be given to the applicant's potential to use their education and experience to benefit tribal or indigenous communities.
- Secondary consideration is financial need.

Required:

- A one-page letter of application summarizing the applicant's educational goals. This letter must state how they will use their education and experience to benefit tribal or indigenous communities.
- Applicants must state in their application letter if they have received or will receive educational funding from tribal governments or other sources that will be used to support their completion of the MPA degree.

Washington State Resident Tuition Waiver

Up to twelve one quarter tuition waivers divided among several MPA students with residency.

Criteria:

- Preference given to students based on the strength of MPA application and/or demonstration of high potential within the program.
- Financial need also a consideration.

Non-Resident Tuition Waiver

Awarded to students who are out-of-state residents from the MPA program. *Criteria*:

- Preference given to students based on the strength of MPA application and/or demonstration of high potential within the program.
- Financial need also a consideration.

Graduate Assistantships

Approximately \$4,300 (total) will be distributed among one to four applicants from the MPA program. Students who are awarded Graduate Assistantships will work with the program staff to complete program-related projects. Graduate Assistantships are paid at an hourly rate and this pay is subject to taxes.

Criteria:

- Primary consideration based on qualifications for duties, defined by the academic performance and/or work experience of the applicant.
- Secondary consideration given to financial need.

Required:

• resume of qualifications and work experience.

Work/Study

Work/Study funds come from the U.S. Department of Education, the State of Washington or The Evergreen State College. Work/Study funds can be used for oncampus jobs or off-campus jobs with not-for-profit entities, including federal, state and local government agencies. A total of three awards of \$3,000 each will be awarded to applicants from each of the three graduate programs (MES, MPA, and MIT). *Criteria:*

- Primary consideration given to financial need.
- Secondary consideration given to the applicant's stated interest in working oncampus or at an appropriate off-campus agency.

Required:

• resume of qualifications and work experience.

The Evergreen State College Application Form for Financial Aid for Graduate Students

2007-2008

1. Name	2. Student ID/Social Security Number		
3. Mailing Address			
4. Home Phone ()	5. Work Phone ()		
6. E-mail address	7. Month 2007-08 FAFSA was submitted		
 8. Master of Environmental Study Master in Teaching Master of Public Administration MPA/MES joint degree program 	 9. New admit to program Current or continuing student in program 		
10. MPA Students Only—Do you intend to enroll full-time (8 credits or more per quarter) or part-time (less than 8 credits per quarter)?			
Fall 2007 full-time part-time Winter 2008 full-time part-time Spring 2008 full-time part-time			
11. Please check all awards for which you are applying. Other than the Tuition Waivers, all these awards require a separate letter of intent.			
 TESC Foundation Graduate Award Graduate Endowed Fellowship (MES and MPA only) Washington State Resident Tuition Waiver Non-Resident Tuition Waiver Lloyd Colfax Indian Education Scholarship (MIT only) 			
 John Walker Fellowship (MPA only) AmeriCorps Education Award 			
 Judge Fuller Graduate Fellowship TESC Alumni Association Graduate Award 			
 MIT Diversity Scholarship (MIT only) Hearst Endowment Award (MIT only) MPA Tribal Governance Award (MPA Tribal Governance Concentration only) 			
Only check the following if you are interested in hourly paid positions. Please attach a resume.			
 ☐ Work/Study ☐ Graduate Assistantship 			
12. Compose and attach letter(s) of application that address your qualifications for the awards for which you are applying. Include supplemental materials such as a resume or letter of recommendation as required by the criteria stated for each award. Unless stated, you do not need to include supplemental materials.			
 (Optional) Do you have any special financial need or considerations that might not be reflected in the FAFSA? Please attach a statement giving details. 			

14. Please submit this application, resume, and letters to:

The Evergreen State College Graduate Support Services Lab I, Room 3019 Olympia, WA 98505 attn: Financial Aid Applications

For more information call 360-867-6707 or email graduatestudies@evergreen.edu.

Priority consideration deadline is March 15 for MES, and May 1 for MIT and MPA. Awards are made on a first-come first-served basis. To be eligible to receive aid, a FAFSA must be received by college and you must be offered admission or currently enrolled in the program.