

Stanford University Master of Liberal Arts 2017-2018 Tuition Assistance Application

Guidelines

To be eligible for assistance, you must: (a) submit a complete Tuition Assistance Application along with all required attachments prior to the deadline; (b) have computed financial need, as determined by the MLA program; and (c) meet other requisite conditions for tuition assistance.

The MLA program admits students without regard for their ability to pay. Fundamental to the MLA program's commitment to need-blind admission and to a need-based tuition assistance program is the expectation that the student will assume the *first* and *primary* responsibility for financing educational costs.

Many applicants ask if their tuition assistance will automatically be renewed in future years. Students must reapply and provide all required documents by the stated deadline to assure tuition assistance consideration each year. Since the MLA program's tuition assistance awards are based on computed need, eligibility for funds will normally change only slightly from year to year unless there are significant changes in income, assets, family size, or number of children attending college or university. Future awards will generally be consistent with the initial package if: (a) the computed need does not change significantly; (b) the application documents are completed fully and submitted on time; (c) funds are available; and (d) policies do not change.

Application Procedures

The application deadline is Thursday, June 1, 2017.

During the application review process, the MLA program may request further information or documentation in order to make a thorough evaluation of an application. Students are urged to respond promptly and completely to these requests to avoid delays in award notification.

To apply for tuition assistance, submit the following to the MLA office no later than Thursday, June 1, 2017:

- Completed and signed 2017-2018 Tuition Assistance Application;
- W-2 Forms and other records of money earned;
- Signed copy of your (and your spouse/domestic partner's) 2016 tax return;
- 2016 untaxed income records – Social Security, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, welfare, or veterans benefits;
- Most current 3 months of 2017 bank statements (waived for students receiving aid in 2016-2017); and
- 2016 business and investment mortgage information, business and farm records, stock, bond, and other investment records.

Completed applications are due in the MLA office by Thursday, June 1, 2017

Personal Information

Name	_____
Street address	_____
City, state, zip	_____
Phone number	_____
Date of birth	_____
Occupation	_____
Place of employment	_____
Marital status (single, married, engaged)	_____
Number of dependent children and their ages	_____
Number of other dependents living with you	_____
Total number of family members in household	_____
Spouse/Domestic partner's name	_____
Spouse/Domestic partner's occupation	_____
Spouse/Domestic partner's place of employment	_____

2016 Income

	Yourself	Spouse/Dom. Partner
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Wages, salary, tips	_____	_____
Interest income	_____	_____
Dividends	_____	_____
Income from business or farm	_____	_____
Rental income	_____	_____
Pensions, annuities, royalties, partnerships, estates, trusts, etc.	_____	_____
Alimony	_____	_____
Child support	_____	_____
Unemployment compensation	_____	_____
Disability compensation	_____	_____
Welfare benefits	_____	_____

	Yourself	Spouse/Dom. Partner
Social Security	_____	_____
Veterans' benefits	_____	_____
Contributions to tax-deferred pension and savings plans (paid directly or withheld from earnings)	_____	_____
IRA deductions and payments to self-employed SEP, SIMPLE and Keogh and other qualified plans	_____	_____
Foreign income exclusion from IRS Form 2555-line 43 or 2555EZ-line 18	_____	_____
Housing, food, and other living allowances paid to members of the military, clergy, etc.	_____	_____
Other income	_____	_____
Cash received, or any money paid on your behalf, not reported elsewhere on this form	_____	_____
**TOTAL INCOME:	_____	_____

**If you anticipate that your income will change significantly in 2017-2018, please indicate that, and provide details under Other Information on page 5.

Assets	Yourself	Spouse/Dom. Partner
As of today, what is the net worth of your current investments?		
Net worth means current value minus debt.		
<u>Investments include:</u> real estate (do not include the home you live in), trust funds, money market funds, mutual funds, certificates of deposit, stocks, stock options, bonds, other securities, education IRAs, college savings plans, installment and land sale contracts (including mortgages held), commodities, etc. Investment value includes the market value of those investments as of today. Investment debt means only those debts that are related to the investments.		
<u>Investments do not include:</u> the home you live in, cash, savings, checking accounts, the value of life and retirement plans (pension funds, annuities, noneducation IRAs, Keogh plans, etc.), or the value of prepaid tuition plans	_____	_____

	Yourself	Spouse/Dom. Partner
As of today, what is the net worth of your current businesses and/or investment farms (Do not include a farm you live on and operate)?	_____	_____
Net worth means current value minus debt. Business and/or investment farm value includes the market value of land, buildings, machinery, equipment, inventory, etc. Business and/or investment farm debt means only those debts for which the business or investment farm was used as collateral	_____	_____
As of today, what is the total value of your retirement accounts (after taxes/penalties)	_____	_____
As of today, what is the total value of your home equity	_____	_____
As of today, what is your total current balance of cash, savings, and checking accounts	_____	_____
Value of any other assets	_____	_____
TOTAL VALUE OF ASSETS:	_____	_____

Anticipated 2017-2018 Annual Expenses

If you share expenses with your Spouse/Dom. Partner you can list your combined total expenses in each category under 'Yourself'

	Yourself (annual)	Spouse/Dom. Partner (annual)
Housing (rent or mortgage)	_____	_____
Food	_____	_____
Transportation (car loan, gas, etc.)	_____	_____
Health (medical, dental)	_____	_____
Child care	_____	_____
College/private school tuition for any dependents	_____	_____
Services (cable, phone, power, etc.)	_____	_____
Personal (incidentals, clothes, etc.)	_____	_____
Entertainment (music, theater, trips, etc.)	_____	_____
Credit debt (not included above)	_____	_____
Miscellaneous (please explain)	_____	_____
TOTAL ANTICIPATED EXPENSES:	_____	_____

Other Information

Do you have any other special financial needs that you would like us to consider?

Are there any financial considerations that require further explanation?

Have you applied for any other form of financial support? (Yes or no)

If yes, (a) from what source:

(b) type and amount of assistance:

(c) when will you be notified?

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge all the information provided is correct and complete.

Signature:

Date:
