



**GRADUATE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK  
DEAN’S SCHOLARSHIP & GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIP APPLICATION  
2008-2009 Academic Year**

**Qualifications:**

A student must have the following qualifications to be eligible for the Graduate Assistantship or Dean’s Scholarship:

- **New and Current** students must be registered for a minimum of 6 credit hours (2 classes) to be considered for either the Dean’s Scholarship or Graduate Assistantship.
- **New students** must have earned a minimum GPA of 3.25 on a 4.0 scale or a 4.25 on a 5.0 scale at their undergraduate institution.
- **Current GSSW students** must have a minimum GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale in the GSSW MSW program.

**Procedures:**

Complete the attached Application Form and indicate whether you are applying for the Dean’s Scholarship or Graduate Assistantship and forward the application to the Director of Admissions along with the following materials:

**1) TRANSCRIPT**

**New students:**

- a. Include a copy of your final transcript from your undergraduate institution.

**Current GSSW students:**

- b. Include a copy of your current transcript from Dominican University (a printed copy of your unofficial Dominican University transcript, available online, is acceptable).

**2) TWO RECOMMENDATION LETTERS:** At least one of these recommenders should be an academic reference. Letters should be mailed directly to the Assistant Dean of Recruitment, Admissions, and Marketing at the address below. If you are reapplying for the Dean’s Scholarship or the Graduate Assistantship you **must submit new letters of recommendation. Letters of recommendation submitted for previous applications will not be considered. Also, letters of recommendation submitted for admission purposes will not be considered.**

**Waiver: I understand that under Dominican University’s policy on confidentiality, I have a right to examine the letters of recommendation unless such right is waived. I hereby expressly waive my right to examine or have access to letters of recommendation. I understand that this recommendation will be used only in connection with my application for the Dean’s Scholarship or Graduate Assistantship.**

**Applicant’s signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**3) PERSONAL STATEMENT.** Submit a minimum of two double spaced pages indicating your educational and professional goals, as well as your financial need. Note: Graduate Assistantship applicants must indicate their work availability and any research or work that you have engaged in that will contribute to this position.

**4) CURRENT RESUME.** Please include the following categories: work, volunteer, research project experience, professional certifications, professional societies, Skills (computer programs, PC and/or MAC).

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**Award Amounts**

Application for a graduate assistantship or scholarship does not guarantee appointment. Graduate Assistantships and Dean's Scholarships are based upon your financial need and academic merit.

1) **Dean's Scholarship** awards **up to \$3,600 for the 2008-2009 academic year**. Award recipients will receive **one award that will be distributed over the entire academic year**. For example, a \$2,000 award will be distributed as follows: \$1,000 Fall 2008 semester and \$1,000 Spring 2009 semester. In order to keep the scholarship for the following semester, recipients must maintain a 3.5 GPA. If the student falls below the 3.5 GPA, the award will be rescinded.

2) **Graduate Assistantship**: Graduate Assistantship positions are available each semester. **Tuition remission for 1 to 3 classes per semester** will be offered for compensation. Students will be required to work 7, 14 or 21 hours per week.

*(NEW STUDENTS AND CURRENT STUDENTS. The first installment will be applied to your account in Fall 2008)*

It is the responsibility of the student to make certain that all the above materials have been received **by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, March 28, 2008 for current students and Tuesday, April 15, 2008 for new students**. **Action on your application cannot be taken until your application, transcript, letters of recommendation, and personal statement are received.**

*(FOR NEW SPRING 2008 ADMITS ONLY)* It is the responsibility of the student to make certain that all the above materials have been received by 4:00 p.m. on **Friday, December 5, 2008**. Action on your application cannot be taken until your application, transcript, letters of recommendation, and personal statement are received.

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**DEADLINES:**

**CURRENT STUDENTS—FRIDAY, MARCH 28, 2008 by 4:00pm**

**NEW STUDENTS STARTING IN FALL 2008—TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2008 by 4:00pm**

**NEW STUDENTS STARTING IN SPRING 2009 ONLY**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2008 by 4:00pm**



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Application for Dean's Scholarship
Date of application:

Note: Students will only receive one award (Graduate Assistantship or Dean's Scholarship). However, you can apply for both by marking each box.

# OF CREDITS REGISTERED for Fall Semester (Must be registered for a minimum of 6 credit hours)
# OF CREDITS REGISTERED for Spring Semester (Must be registered for a minimum of 6 credit hours)

Personal Information:

Name Social Security Number

Student ID#

Current Address

City State Zip code

Home Phone Mobile Phone

Employer Phone

Email Address

Educational Information:

GPA for MSW courses GPA for undergraduate work (i.e, 3.25/4.0 scale or 4.25/5.0 scale)

Other Awards:

Please list other sources of financial aid you are receiving (e.g. grants, scholarship, employer tuition reimbursement (etc))

Have you received a GSSW Dean's Scholarship or Graduate Assistantship in the past? Yes No. If you indicated yes, please list the semester and year of your award

Students are urged to provide completed application materials to the Assistant Dean of Recruitment, Admissions, and Marketing by 4:00pm on the deadline dates.

All application materials must be submitted to:

Dominican University
Graduate School of Social Work
Attn: Assistant Dean of Recruitment, Admissions, and Marketing
7200 W. Division
River Forest, Illinois 60305

