# **CULTURES OF CHARACTER SCHOLARSHIP**

FOR EDUCATIONAL LEADERS

The Cultures of Character Scholarship was established thanks to the generosity of the Kern Family Foundation, which supports North Central's commitment to

- » fostering cultures of character in schools,
- » encouraging leadership development for underserved communities, and
- » supporting the development of more diverse leadership candidates.

Open to incoming students in the Master of Education in Educational Leadership program, this annual scholarship is available for up to 40 percent off tuition for select candidates, with awards generally \$4,000-\$8,600 in value.



The Cultures of Character Scholarship is available to new candidates in North Central's Educational Leadership program with eligibility for the principal endorsement. Awards will be considered based primarily on the applicant's ability to demonstrate

- » service to an underserved community,
- » qualifications as an applicant currently underrepresented in administrative ranks, and/or
- » commitment to fostering a culture of character in a PK-12 school setting through demonstrated experiences or expertise.

Annual scholarships will be awarded for 20-40 percent off tuition for select candidates who meet eligibility criteria. The total cost of the program is approximately \$12,917-17,223 with this award. This scholarship can be combined with the Education Alliance Grant for a total of 40-60 percent off tuition. The total cost of the program is then reduced to \$8,611-\$13,000 with this combined scholarship and grant assistance.

## **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

To be eligible for the Cultures of Character Scholarship, the graduate student must:

- » be accepted to the Master of Education in Educational Leadership program;
- » submit scholarship application prior to beginning the first course in the program, MEDU 500; and
- » have completed all sections of the scholarship application completely and prior to the deadline.



Recipients of the scholarship are expected to:

- » be fully engaged in coursework;
- » promote the goals of the scholarship through character development work with an underserved school, pursuit of leadership opportunities as an underrepresented leadership candidate, or conduct character work in a PK-12 school; and
- » participate annually in a minimum of two activities sponsored by North Central College to promote the educational leadership program and/or the scholarship and its aforementioned goals.

#### RENEWAL

Students who are awarded the scholarship do not need to reapply each year, but must submit a letter by no later than then the first day of class of the fall term indicating the student is still meeting scholarship eligibility criteria for the academic year. Renewal will be considered based on review of the student meeting scholarship criteria and being in good standing with North Central College (business office, graduate education office, etc).

### **DEADLINE**

Scholarship applications for fall 2019 admission to MEDU 500 (the initial course in the program) will be considered if submitted by **August 1, 2019.** 

Scholarship applications will be considered for spring 2020 admission to MEDU 500 (the initial course in the program) if submitted by **November 1, 2019**.

# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

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