



DIVERSITY-BUILDING SCHOLARSHIP RECOMMENDATION FORM

To applicant: Please write your name and UO identification number and check an access box before giving this form to the person recommending you for the Diversity-Building Scholarship. The recommender must be a school official, member of a community organization, employer, or anyone else (other than a family member) who can illustrate your achievements, leadership, cultural involvement, and abilities.

Name of applicant _____ UO ID number _____

OREGON UNIVERSITY SYSTEM (OUS) SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER DISCLOSURE AND CONSENT STATEMENT

To comply with the Tax Payer Relief Act of 1997, the University of Oregon must obtain your correct social security number (SSN) to file returns with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and to furnish a statement to you. The returns filed by the UO must contain information about qualified tuition and related expenses. The Privacy Act of 1974, section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code, requires that you give your correct SSN to agencies who must file information returns with the IRS. The IRS uses your SSN for identification and to verify the accuracy of your tax return. For more information, please refer to Internal Revenue Code section 6050S.

By signing the application, you give your permission for the use of your SSN to assist the UO and the OUS (and organizations conducting studies for or on behalf of the OUS) in developing, validating, or administering predictive tests and assessments; administering student aid programs; improving instruction; identifying students internally; collecting student debts; or comparing student educational experiences with subsequent work-force experiences. When conducting studies, the UO and the OUS will disclose your SSN only in a manner that does not permit personal identification of you by individuals other than representatives of the UO and the OUS (or the organization conducting the study for the OUS) and only if the information is destroyed when no longer needed for the purposes for which the study was conducted. By providing your social security number, you are consenting to the uses identified above. This request is made pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes 351.070 and 351.085. You are not required to consent to the use of your SSN for research; if you choose not to do so, you will not be denied any right, benefit, or privilege provided by law. You may revoke your consent for the use of your SSN at any time by writing to the Office of Admissions. If you do not give consent to use your SSN for research, please attach a note requesting a system-generated number.

Under the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 and the UO Student Record Policy, registered students have the right to inspect their records, including letters of recommendation. If you wish to waive your right of access to this evaluation, you may do so by checking the appropriate box below. Check only one box. Refusal to waive access will not affect the decision of the scholarship committee.

- I WAIVE access to this recommendation I DO NOT WAIVE access to this recommendation

Signature _____ Date _____

To recommender: Diversity-Building Scholarships are designed to help students from varied backgrounds achieve their educational goals at the University of Oregon. These are tuition-remission scholarships with awards ranging from partial to full tuition and fee waivers. The amount of each award is determined by the UO Diversity-Building Scholarship Committee.

In a separate letter, please describe the applicant's commitment to cultural diversity. Address the student's involvement in his or her cultural community, including leadership roles, community service, family responsibilities, achievements, and any other experiences that illustrate the student's background. This is critical information; your evaluation of the student will assist the selection committee in making awards. Please explain your relationship to the applicant and how long you have known her or him. Attach your letter to this form and mail in a sealed envelope to the address below.

Printed Name

Title

Signature

School, organization, or agency

Address

Telephone

Postmark deadline: **January 15, 2008**

Please sign, seal, and mail this recommendation form and attached letter to the following address:

Diversity-Building Scholarship Committee
Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships
1278 University of Oregon
Eugene OR 97403-1278