



Boyer Fellowship Application Sam M. Walton College of Business

The Award

Tommy (1964 BSBA) and Sylvia Boyer (1963 BSE) established the Boyer Fellowship with the intention that it be among the most competitive and prestigious awards in the nation. The award is designed to encourage and attract outstanding Arkansas students to pursue an undergraduate education at the Sam M. Walton College of Business at the University of Arkansas.

Boyer Fellowships will be awarded annually to an incoming freshman who has achieved outstanding academic performance. The recipient of the Boyer Fellowship will receive \$12,500 annually with one-half distributed in the fall, and one-half distributed in the spring. The fellowship shall be renewable for up to three additional years provided the Boyer Fellow seeking renewal completes 30 hours with a minimum of a 3.50 grade-point average (cumulative) by the end of the spring semester each year.

The fellowship money may be used to cover tuition and fees, room and board, and books and supplies. Any additional funding from the fellowship may be applied toward registration and travel to educational programs and professional conferences, a personal computer and software and appropriate spending money. A one-time award of up to \$5000 (depending on availability of funding) may be used to study abroad. Boyer Fellows are ineligible to receive any other financial assistance other than:

- (a) one-time awards, grants or prizes approved by the dean or his designee for departmental, college or national recognition of outstanding performance not to exceed cost of attendance, or
- (b) financial assistance required by federal law.

However, the amount awarded for the Boyer Fellowship to a recipient receiving such federal assistance shall not exceed the difference between the federal financial assistance and the sum of \$13,000.

Boyer Fellows are required to participate in an internship program approved by the Walton College for the purpose of gaining relevant work experience in his or her major field of study.

Criteria for Selection

The selection criteria is designed to identify talented individuals who are in need of financial assistance. The criteria include:

- 3.75 grade-point average (cumulative) and a 32 or higher on the ACT or 1400 on the SAT or a 3.75 grade-point average (cumulative) and a National Merit Semi-Finalist or Achievement Semi-Finalist.
- Preference will be given to students graduating from Arkansas high schools.
- Applicants must demonstrate financial need.
- Applicants must show evidence of strong leadership qualities in school, church, civic or other organizations, and the student must agree to conduct personal and professional affairs with the utmost integrity, thereby serving as a role model for other students.
- The student must pursue a course of study that leads to a baccalaureate degree in the Sam M. Walton College of Business at the University of Arkansas.
- The student must complete the coursework required for the Walton Honors program including maintaining a cumulative grade point average of 3.50 at the University of Arkansas
- The fellowship will be awarded to a student who has not enrolled in any other post-secondary institution in the fall or spring following high school graduation.