

The Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans

Guidelines for UCSB Applicants Campus Application Deadline is October 11, 2007

The purpose of the Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans is to provide opportunities for continuing generations of able and accomplished new Americans to achieve leadership in their chosen fields. The program is established in recognition of the contributions New Americans have made to American life and in gratitude for the opportunities the United States has afforded the donors and their family. Candidates must demonstrate the relevance of graduate education to their long-term career goals and potential in enhancing their contributions to society. A successful candidate will give evidence of at least two of the following three attributes or criteria for selection: (1) creativity, originality, and initiative, demonstrated in any area of life; (2) a capacity for accomplishment, demonstrated through activity that has required drive and sustained effort; and (3) a commitment to the values expressed in the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights. Candidates for this scholarship must be endorsed by UCSB. The URCA Office will provide this endorsement for UCSB undergraduates.

Eligibility

- Senior in a bachelor's program (any academic discipline or professional field including the Fine and Performing Arts)
- Not more than 30 years of age as of November 1, 2006
- Status as a "New American" is:
 - Holder of a Green Card; or
 - Naturalized Citizen; or
 - The Child of Two Naturalized Citizen Parents

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You may obtain scholarship information and access to the online application at: www.pdsoros.org.

The following items must be submitted to the URCA Office, 2105 North Hall, by above deadline:

- Copy of the completed online application form
- A copy of each of the two essays
- Exhibits- a 1-2 page resume and no more than five additional pages that document or illustrate your strengths in one or more of the selection criteria as listed above (and on the Soros web site)
- Copies of the three letters of recommendation, at least one academic and one from a person who is familiar with your performance in a work-setting, whether paid, a volunteer assignment, or a project you have undertaken or from anyone you think might best tell us about your strengths in creativity, originality, initiative, capacity for accomplishment, and commitment to the values expressed in the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights. The third may be from either category. NOTE: the originals are to be sent directly to the foundation by the letter writer. The recommender must mail a copy of the letter to the address listed below. Or, an electronic copy may be sent to the URCA Coordinator at Scholarships@Ltsc.ucsb.edu
- Unofficial transcripts from all colleges and universities attended
- Documentation of "New American Status – as listed on the application instructions page of the Soros web site
- The Institutional Status Form
- Copy of the report of any required Aptitude test results (**if available**)

Where and when to submit: **By 4:00 p.m. on October 11, 2007**
Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities (URCA) Office, 2105 North Hall
College of Letters and Science
University of California
Santa Barbara, CA 93106-2085

Applicants should consult with the URCA Coordinator, Nan Anderson, well in advance of the campus deadline at 893-2319 or urca@Ltsc.ucsb.edu.