Deadline: December 5, 2012

Qualifications: You must meet ALL criteria for the scholarship for which you are applying. The student must apply yearly for the scholarship through the Office of Student Financial Services. The award may be renewed each year but renewal is not guaranteed.

- The student must complete a 2012-2013 FAFSA.
- The student must be a degree seeking full-time Undergraduate, Graduate or Seminary student.
- The student must be a minority US citizen.
- Student must have a 2.5 GPA to apply and maintain a cumulative 2.5 GPA.
- Show evidence of current leadership within a ministry setting.

Instructions: Complete the Scholarship Application personal information (page 2), write an essay, include a recent photograph of yourself, and submit a letter of recommendation.

Essay: Write an essay which encompasses all 3 topics below;
1. Describe the ministry you feel God has called you to,
2. Describe current leadership in ministry experience, AND
3. Describe how you plan to be a leader on campus or be involved in leadership opportunities while attending CIU.

Please submit a 300 word minimum typed essay. Use your NAME and MINORITY STUDENT LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY as the title and attach the essay to this application form. Double-space the body of your essay, and use a 1” page margin. Please do not include extra documents such as pictures, resumes, etc.

Picture: Attach a recent photo of yourself to the application OR email a digital photo to kwerner@ciu.edu.

Letter of Recommendation: Provide one letter of recommendation from either a CIU faculty/staff member or a pastor/church official. The letter of recommendation may be sent by fax to (803) 223-2505, email to kwerner@ciu.edu or by mail to the Office of Student Financial Services.

Submit your Application: Your completed application is to include; Minority Student Leadership Scholarship application (below), essay, photo and letter of recommendation. Your application will not be considered for the scholarship if it is not COMPLETE and received in the student financial services office by the deadline of July 19, 2012. You may submit your application by email, fax, or U.S. postal mail service.

Email: kwerner@ciu.edu  Postal Mail: Office of Student Financial Service
Fax: 803-223-2505  Columbia International University
Columbia, SC 29230-3122
Attn. Kelly Werner

Please retain this instruction sheet for your records.
*Should you be awarded this scholarship, the funds may replace all or a portion of other institutional aid you have received.

**Minority Student Leadership Scholarship**

**Personal Information:**

Name: _______________________________          Student ID: ____________

Address: _______________________________        Age: ______________

City: ___________________________        State: ______________       Zip: ____________________

Email: ___________________________________        □ Current Student    □ New Student

Phone: ___________________________        Hometown: ________________________________

Denomination: ____________________________

Minority Group: □ African American    □ Asian or Pacific Islander       □ Hispanic

□ Native American or Alaska Native       □ Multiracial

**Educational Background:**

High School Name: _______________________________        HS GPA: ______________

Undergraduate Institution: ________________________________

Degree: ___________________        Years Attended: ___________        Cumulative GPA: ________

**Enrollment Plans for 2012-13:**

Program: ____________________________        Major: ____________________________

Current CIU cumulative GPA (if already enrolled): ____________

Class status □ Freshman □ Sophomore □ Junior □ Senior

for 12-13: □ 1st Yr Grad/Sem □ 2nd Yr Grad/Sem □ 3rd Yr Grad/Sem □ 4th Yr Grad/Sem

Have you been accepted? ____________        Are you registered for classes? ____________

How many credit hours will you be taking each semester? _______ Fall _______Spring

Expected Graduation Date: ____________
Confirmation of Call:

Please list any groups or Christian organizations you have been involved in within the past two years?

Please describe in a brief statement your leadership roles in a ministry setting in the past two years.

Career Goal: __________________________________________

__________________________________________________________

Life Verse: ____________________________

What led you to attend CIU? __________________________________________

__________________________________________________________

Provide the name of the person who will be submitting your letter of recommendation (someone who is either a CIU faculty/staff member or a pastor/church official).

Name ____________________________  Position ____________________________

Please attach your essay and submit the documents to the Office of Student Financial Services by December 5, 2012.

For Office Use

Received by: __________  Date: __________  EFC: ____________________________

Screen on: __________  Meets Criteria? ______  If not, explain: ____________

Result: __________  Committee: ____________________________

Financial Information:

12-13: Tuition:  Student Contribution:
Fees:  CIU Scholarship:
Room & Board:  Total:
Total:  Remaining Need: