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the three categories of the J Malcolm Smith Scholarship described below:

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J. Malcolm Smith Political Science Scholarships-

This scholarship has three awards available with specific application requirements (see below) for the following categories: Academic Growth Award, Overcoming Obstacles Award, and Building Community Award.

Open Date: 11/01/2022

Deadline: 03/10/2023

Renewal Type: None

Amount: Three awards of \$380 each.

Organization: College of Letters, Arts, and Social Sciences (CLASS) **Status:** Published

The Political Science Department offers one scholarship that has three different categories (and thus three different awardees).

Application Deadline: March 10, 2023 **Awards:** Three awards of \$380 each

Requirements:

1. Submit all materials, including an essay titled “My Story,” listed in the General Application in the Scholarship Universe portal (csueastbay.scholarshipuniverse.com).
2. Applicants must indicate the specific scholarship for which they are applying:
 - a. Academic Growth
 - b. Overcoming Obstacles
 - c. Building Community
3. Applicants must submit supplemental material for their chosen scholarship (see below for the supplemental material requirements).
4. If the applicant is applying for all three scholarships, they must submit separate supplemental material required for each scholarship.
5. Students may apply for all awards but are only eligible to receive one.

6. Applicants who have not received a Smith award in the previous academic year will be given preference.
7. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Supplemental Material for Academic Growth Award

1. Minimum 2.5 GPA
2. A 500 to 750-word essay describing their overall academic growth, including specific examples from their political science coursework. The essay should be distinct from “My Story,” even if there will be some overlap in the two essays. The Academic Growth essay should expand on topics mentioned in “My Story” and discuss and provide examples that demonstrate their growth overall and within the major.
3. The essay should include the name and contact information of a CSUEB faculty member that can speak to your academic development. (Can be listed at the end of the essay.)

Supplemental Material for Overcoming Obstacles Award

1. Minimum 2.5 GPA
2. A 500 to 750-word essay that discusses the specific challenges the applicant has faced, the specific measures the applicant took to overcome these challenges, and the lessons derived from those challenges and successes. The essay should be distinct from “My Story,” even if there will be some overlap between the two essays. This essay should expand on any challenges mentioned in “My Story,” and must explain how the applicant has grown and how their lived experiences have shaped their time in the department and post-graduation/career plans.

Supplemental Material for Building Community Award

1. Minimum 2.5 GPA
2. A 500 to 750-word essay that discusses the student’s experiences building community on campus and creating a sense of inclusion and belonging for their fellow Pioneers. This essay should expand on any points mentioned in “My Story,” and must explain how the student’s involvement in the campus community guides their post-graduation plans. It is highly recommended that the applicant provide specific examples of the applicant’s contributions, both past, and present.
3. The essay should include the name and contact information of a CSUEB faculty or staff member that can speak to their contributions to the University. (Can be listed at the end of the essay.)