

Calvin College Department of English

Scholarship Application Form, 2009-2010

Because of the generosity of its emeriti and of various members of the Calvin community, the English Department is able to make available to its students a number of scholarships and awards. In addition to commemorating those who are named in them, these scholarships and awards are intended to recognize the scholarly promise and excellence of its students, and, in certain cases indicated below, to provide financial assistance to those who have need.

Submitting this single form will put you into consideration for the departmental scholarships that you check on the list provided below. Attached you will find a description of each of these scholarships; these should guide your choice of the scholarships for which you wish to be considered.

**Complete applications must be received in the English Department no later than Thursday, March 12, 2009.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student No. \_\_\_\_\_

Campus Address \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent home address \_\_\_\_\_

Class level next year \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation date \_\_\_\_\_ College major \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate your career goal.

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Do you presently have any incompletes on your academic record? Yes No

If you answered yes, list them here.

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Your current GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Your GPA within the English major \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have need according to the standards of Calvin's Financial Aid Office? \_\_\_\_\_

List the courses taken (and in progress) in the English Department:

Course name and number	Instructor	Final Grade
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Indicate the scholarship(s) you wish to apply for and for which you are eligible (see descriptions for eligibility requirements):

_____	The Winifred Holkeboer Memorial Scholarship	(\$2,200)
_____	The Kenneth and Lillian Kuiper Family Scholarship	(\$3,100)
_____	The Schemper-Kamp Family Scholarship	(2 @ \$2,500)
_____	The Henrietta Ten Harmsel English Scholarship	(\$2,300)
_____	The Richard & Kay Tiemersma Scholarship	(\$2,500)
_____	The Steve J. & Viola Van Der Weele Scholarship	(2 @ \$2,150)
_____	The William E. and Margaret J. Van Wienen Scholarship	(\$2,400)
_____	The Henry and Mildred Zylstra Memorial Scholarship	(\$1,800)1

Submit the following:

- 1) a 750-word essay that explains how your Christian faith shapes your scholarly work, and
- 2) a portfolio (15 pages or less) of your writing that includes a representative sample of scholarly writing. You may also include creative writing in the form of poetry, short fiction, drama, or journalistic essays. (If your scholarly writing is lengthy and the 15-page limit proves prohibitive, consider excerpting your best writing, including your thesis and conclusion, and provide a bracketed abstract of the excised paragraphs.)  
In addition,
- 3) if you wish to be considered for the Kuiper, Schemper-Kamp, or Zylstra scholarships, submit a 300-500-word statement that explains your career goals.
- 4) if you wish to be considered for the Van Wienen Scholarship, submit a 250-400-word statement outlining your interest and service in community social involvement projects.

Provide the names of instructors who have agreed to submit recommendations for you.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

See the Calvin College Catalogue for full descriptions of the awards. Class standing refers to the level you will have achieved at the beginning of the 2009-2010 school year.

**1. Winifred Holkeboer Memorial Scholarship**

**Qualifications:**

- The candidate must be an English major entering his or her junior or senior year.
- The candidate must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher and a commitment to the study of language and literature.
- The candidate must have demonstrated a potential for leadership within the major.
- The candidate should be able to describe his or her participation in the intellectual life of the campus.

**2. Kenneth and Lillian Kuiper Scholarship**

**Qualifications:**

- The candidate must be an English major entering his or her senior year (or the student-teaching year).
- The candidate must be in the secondary education program, majoring in English.
- The candidate must show promise of making a significant contribution as an English teacher in secondary education.
- Financial need may be a consideration.

**3. Schemper-Kamp Family Scholarship**

**Qualifications:**

- The candidate must be an English major entering his or her junior or senior year.
- The candidate must have demonstrated academic excellence and a Christian perspective in his or her writing.

**4. Henrietta Ten Harmsel English Scholarship**

**Qualifications:**

- The candidate must be a returning English major.
- The candidate must be an enthusiastic reader and writer and must be able to articulate how his or her Christian faith informs their study of literature.

**5. Richard R. and Kathleen J. Tiemersma Scholarship**

**Qualifications:**

- The candidate must be an English major entering his or her senior year.
- The candidate must have a GPA of 3.3 or higher.
- The candidate must demonstrate a “respect for language, the liberal arts, and Calvin College and its objectives.”

**6. William E. and Margaret J. Van Wienen Scholarship**

**Qualifications:**

- The candidate must be an English major entering his or her junior year.
- The candidate must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- The candidate must have an interest and be active in community social involvement projects.
- Financial need may be a consideration.

**7. Steve J. and Viola Van Der Weele Scholarship**

**Qualifications:**

- The candidate must be an English major entering his or her junior or senior year.
- The candidate must have demonstrated academic excellence.
- The candidate must “show evidence of coming to maturity through a liberal arts education and of enriching the Christian community through those studies.”
- Financial need may be a consideration.

**8. Henry and Mildred Zylstra Memorial Scholarship**

- The candidate must be an English major entering his or her senior year.
- The candidate must have a GPA of 3.5 or higher.
- The candidate must be planning to attend graduate school to study literature or language within five years following graduation.