EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SCHOLARSHIPS

The Education Department offers over 35 named scholarships in order to provide financial assistance to students in the Teacher Education Program. All students who are eligible are encouraged to apply. Each scholarship has certain specifications and award amounts. Note that award amounts can vary from year to year and most are based on financial need. After applying, you will automatically be considered for all scholarships for which you are eligible (you will not need to apply for specific scholarships).

Scholarship requirements may include:

- Academic achievement
- Financial need
- Specific program (elementary, secondary, or special education)
- Activities (church and community service, athletics, etc.)
- Interest in teaching in a certain setting (public school, Christian school, inner-city school)
- Minority ethnicity
- Physical or mental disability

Eligibility Guidelines
In order to be considered for Education Department scholarships, you must:

1. Be a declared education student: Declare your education program subject area major/minor(s) with Academic Services. You also must have successfully completed EDUC 202 (C or better) or be currently enrolled in the class. You must have passed the MTTC Professional Readiness Exam or be registered for the April test.

2. Have a junior or senior standing as of September. (Note that a few scholarships may allow for Post-BA applicants).

3. Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75. Anything less will prevent you from being a serious contender. Please also note that most scholarships require a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

4. Request recommendations from two Calvin professors.

Scholarship applications are available after January 1 and are due by March 1 each year.

Application procedures and the complete list of scholarships are available at:
http://www.calvin.edu/academic/education/scholarships.html

If you have questions, contact Mary Jo Louters, 526-6202, loutma@calvin.edu .

Additional Awards
Recipients are selected by Education Department faculty members each year:

Beversluis Awards in Christian Philosophy of Education
Established by Dr. and Mrs. N. H. Beversluis to encourage the study of and commitment to Reformed educational philosophy. Dr. Beversluis, professor of education emeritus, is author of several works on the Christian philosophy of education.

Vander Ark Distinguished Teacher Education Award
Established by The Vander Ark family in honor of a family of Christian educators, the recipients of this award are chosen by the Education Department for showing outstanding promise as education students.