

LMU School Psychology Program Scholarship Application

The LMU School Psychology Program believes that diversity, in all its forms, helps create an impactful learning community within each cohort and across the program. In order to support candidates with different strengths and life experiences, we offer school psychology tuition scholarships. We consider the following criteria for scholarships:

- **Financial need** - Candidate demonstrates strong financial need to fund graduate education, including a copy of the FAFSA*, which may include plans to work while in graduate school, financial support from other sources, other financial obligations, etc.
- **Merit** - Candidate demonstrates strong academic potential based on previous educational attainment, recognitions, and/or has significant and meaningful work experience with preK-12 students and in schools.
- **Increasing representation of candidates from historically underrepresented groups in graduate education/school psychology** - Candidate strongly identifies with historically marginalized cultural group(s) and brings this awareness to their graduate work and future career in school psychology (e.g., Identify as BIPOC, first generation, DACA*, LGBTQ, etc.).
- **Commitment to social justice** - Candidate has demonstrated a sustained personal engagement with and/or commitment to supporting individuals from underrepresented or marginalized communities, improving access and opportunity for these individuals, and/or working for systemic, institutional, or community change through volunteerism, advocacy, activism, leadership, or other work.

To apply for a scholarship, candidates need to submit an essay:

- Use single-spaced, 12 point font
- Clearly label and address at least 1 and up to 4 of the above criteria; only address the criteria that are most meaningful for you
- Provide concrete and specific information and examples
- Note anything in your background that speaks to your unique perspective
- Address each criteria separately and in a maximum of 400 words each (maximum of 1600 words if addressing all 4 criteria)
- Save your essay with your Name (e.g., Emily Fisher) and email to Danielle.Latham@lmu.edu

Key Dates & Deadlines

March 29, 2021	Priority deadline to submit your materials
April 5, 2021	First-round scholarship awards made via email; waitlist notified
April 12, 2021	Award recipients must submit their commitment deposit to secure scholarship
April 13, 2021	Additional awards made to waitlist applicants; applications submitted after the priority deadline will be reviewed
April 15, 2021	Priority deadline for commitment deposit for LMU School Psychology Program; Scholarships will continue to be awarded as monies become available

*DACA candidates and candidates who are not U.S. citizens are not required to submit the FAFSA for scholarship consideration.