



College of Arts and Sciences

The Goode Scholars Scholarship

MISSION

Eastern University has developed the Goode Scholars Scholarship program for urban students to honor and model the work and service of Dr. W. Wilson Goode, the first African-American to be elected mayor of the city of Philadelphia. The scholarship will offer service-minded and future community leaders the opportunity to fulfill their dreams, and aid them in preparation as leader in the homes, schools, churches and communities.

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

Awarding of the Goode Scholars Scholarship is limited to 25 students annually. All applicants must reside in inner city communities (defined as an urban city with a population of 50,000 or greater). All applicants must have at least a 2.5 minimum GPA or a ranking in the top 30% of their graduating class. Candidates should be hard working and demonstrate a capacity for leadership. Two essays and a pastoral recommendation are required.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Read *In Goode Faith* to learn about the man behind the scholarship during your first year and submit a three-page reflection paper to the coordinator of the Goode Scholars Scholarship Program.
- Attend an annual luncheon or dinner with Dr. W. Wilson Goode and the coordinator of the Goode Scholars Program and complete assignments associated with this.
- Spend 30 hours participating in community service projects of your choice during your 2nd and 3rd years (15 hours per year).
- Attend two mentoring sessions with Dr. Goode each academic year.
- A GPA of 2.0 after the first year, 2.25 after the second year, and 2.5 thereafter must be achieved to maintain the scholarship. Additionally, 24 credits must be earned each academic year.

FINANCIAL AWARD

Students who receive the Goode Scholars Scholarship will receive a \$13,000 per year award. The award can be renewed each year, and will replace any previously earned academic or merit scholarship.

ABOUT DR. W. WILSON GOODE

Dr. Goode served as Mayor of Philadelphia from 1984-1992. Most remarkable was his ability to bridge relationships among the many segments of the city: social, financial, political, racial and religious. He now serves on the Board of Trustees for Eastern University. He was born in Seaboard, NC, the son of a poor sharecropper, and was raised by his father and mother along with four brothers and two sisters. He grew up in a segregated world and felt knowledge was a weapon to fight bigotry. He was also ordained as a minister in the Baptist Church in 1999.

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HOW TO APPLY

Please provide the information requested below thoroughly and completely. Your application to the Goode Scholars Scholarship means that if accepted, you agree that your academic records are available to the program director. When you are finished, submit your application to the address listed at the bottom of this page.

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY FEBRUARY 1

YOUR INFORMATION

Full Name _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-mail Address _____

High School _____ Graduation Year _____

GPA _____ Rank in Class _____

Activities Participated in and Positions Held _____

I am applying for the Goode Scholarship because:

- I live in a city/urban area with a population of 50,000 people or more.
- I attend and serve with a church in a city/urban area with a population of 50,000 people or more.

Name of Church _____ City Church is in _____

ESSAYS

Please answer both questions. Make sure that your name appears at the top right corner of each sheet you submit.

1. Please write a brief autobiography. Your autobiography should include basic information about yourself (family composition, neighborhood information, unusual events or situations that influence your outlook on life).
2. Please explain in detail how being a Goode Scholar will help you accomplish your dream.

PASTORAL REFERENCE

Submit a reference letter written by your local pastor, youth pastor or priest. The letter should address how long the writer has known you, your motivation for attending college and why you should be considered for the Goode Scholarship.