

Are you a "non-traditional" female student, 25 years of age* or older?

If so, you may qualify for an *Elizabeth Knapp* scholarship!

The Binghamton University Elizabeth Knapp Scholarship Committee is seeking applications for Academic Year 2008-2009. Qualifying applicants are selected based on review of a written essay telling us why 'they' stand out from the crowd and should be selected for this award. The scholarship is typically granted to one or more individuals (undergraduate and/or graduate) per academic year. In the past, awards have varied between \$500 and \$2,000 per recipient per academic year. Could this be the year for you?

~ Qualifications ~

You must be a woman who:

- experienced a delay in pursuing a formal educational program after high school; are 25 years of age (*as of April 1, 2008) or older; and who
- will be enrolled as either a matriculated undergraduate or graduate student at Binghamton University for at least 6 credits during the 2008-2009 academic year; and who
- demonstrates need for financial assistance as determined by submission of a 2008-2009 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). **Any applicant for whom a *processed* FAFSA is not on file with BU Financial Aid Services by the application deadline will not be considered for this scholarship, so file your FAFSA as soon as possible!! Federal processing can take two weeks or longer for your FAFSA to reach BU!**

Part I: Biographical Details

Applicant Name: _____ SSN: _____
Address: _____ Age: _____
_____ Birthdate: _____
Email: _____ Phone: _____

Part II: Educational Background

You are accepted as a matriculated Binghamton: Undergraduate Student Graduate Student

Binghamton University Program of Study: _____
Expected Semester and Year of Graduation: _____
Planned Enrollment (# of credits): Fall 2008: _____ Spring 2009: _____

| Other Post-High School Education: | Dates of Attendance |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Institution | |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |

Name of High School Attended: _____
Year of Graduation from High School: _____ Curriculum: _____

Part III: Essay

Please attach an essay that explains why you believe you should be chosen for this award. Your essay will serve as an interview on paper, so what do you want us to know about you? Please include:

1. Your personal and educational background and goals.
2. How will receiving this award affect your plans for achieving those goals?
3. What did you do between high school and pursuing a higher education?
4. What makes YOU stand out from all the other applicants for this award?

Application deadline is 4:00 pm on Friday, April 4, 2008.

**Mail or fax your application & essay to
Binghamton University Financial Aid Services
PO Box 6000, Binghamton, NY 13902
Fax (607) 777-6897**