The James Akira Hirabayashi Person for AH Seasons Scholarship Fund
College of Ethnic Studies
2014-2015

James Akira Hirabayashi (10/31/1926 to 5/23/2012) was the founding dean of the College of Ethnic Studies at San Francisco State. He subsequently served as dean of Undergraduate Studies and retired as a Professor Emeritus. His courage, intellectual integrity, and ability to communicate across all student and faculty groups made him a man for all seasons. Hirabayashi’s career accomplishments are balanced by wide community service, quiet strength, and generosity. He taught and mentored hundreds of people over decades from all disciplines---not just a professor but as a guitarist, jeweler, Asian American Theater Company actor, softball pitcher, Mongolian griddle gourmet cook, husband, and father. This scholarship is being offered to support upper division undergraduate students who seek to be persons for all seasons and are considering a career that is interdisciplinary and in public service.

The scholarship will be awarded in the fall semester. Two awards will be funded for $1000 each. The scholarship is non-renewable. Recipient may only receive this scholarship one time.

APPLICATION FILING DEADLINE

Wednesday, April 30, 2014
Send Applications to:
James Akira Hirabayashi Scholarship Fund
College of Ethnic Studies EP 121
San Francisco State University
1600 Holloway Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94132-4011
For Information:
Contact Rosalie Alfonso
(415) 338-1694
Web Site: http://www.sfsu.edu/~ethnicst/
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. Upper division undergraduate student who is enrolled full-time at SF State at the time of the award (spring semester) and will be enrolled full-time in the following fall semester when the award is applied.

2. Must have taken or be currently enrolled in at least two College of Ethnic Studies (COES) courses when they apply, be in a COES Certificate Program, or be a student pursuing a major or minor in one of the COES disciplines (Africana Studies Department, Asian American Studies Department, American Indian Studies Department, Latina/Latino Studies Department and the Race and Resistance Studies Program)

3. Must be classified as upper division in good academic standing.

4. Student must be considering a future career that is interdisciplinary and public service in nature.

5. Must be a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident.


7. Write a personal statement (see application for guidelines)

8. Submit most current unofficial transcript.

Selection Procedure
Completed applications that meet the above criteria and are submitted to College of Ethnic Studies office, EP 121 by April 30, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. will be reviewed by the scholarship committee. Students selected to receive scholarships will be notified by the middle of June 2014.
The James Akira Hirabayashi Person for All Seasons Scholarship Fund
Application (type or print)
2014-2015

Name: ____________________________________________

SFSU ID #: _______________________________________

Address: _________________________________________

Telephone: _______________________________________

Email: ___________________________________________

Class Standing: Junior __________ Senior _______

Major: __________________________________________

Minor or Emphasis: _______________________________

Career / Professional Goal: _______________________

Grade Point Average: _____________________________

Expected date of Graduation: ______________________

NOTE: Also attach to the application a copy of your most current Transcript.
Student must submit an essay in the specific format (500-1000 words, Times New Roman, 12 point font, double-spaced) and addressing the following:

What is the most impressive thing you have learned about Jim Hirabayashi? What attributes and skills of a person for all seasons are you honing as a college student that would be valued in the public sector? Describe how your academic diligence, extracurricular activity and community involvement might prepare you for an interdisciplinary career. Be specific.

Note: All information collected as a part of the application process for the James Hirabayashi Scholarship Fund will become the property of the Scholarship Committee, will be kept confidential, and will only be used by the Scholarship Committee for purposes of evaluating applicants.

My signature below certifies that I have read and understand all the conditions and requirements of an applicant for the James Hirabayashi Scholarship as described on the front page under the eligibility requirements. I understand that if I also receive Federal or State financial aid for 2014-2015 academic year, the scholarship will be coordinated with other aid awarded. Every attempt will be made by OSFA to minimize the effect of the scholarship upon my financial aid.

Signature: ___________________________ Date: ____________________