The J.L. Cleland GLBT Non-Discrimination Scholarship was established to provide a scholarship to ultimately play a part in reducing and eliminating hatred, bullying, discrimination, bigotry and violence against gay, lesbian, bi-sexual and transgender persons. There will be one $4,500 scholarship awarded for the 2014-2015 academic year, which may be renewed for up to four years.

Eligibility Criteria

1. Applicants must be residents of Kansas and current high school seniors admissible to KU for the fall 2014 term by
   - Achieving an ACT score of 21 or above, or an SAT score of 980 or above, or
   - Earning at least a 2.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale in the Kansas Board of Regents curriculum, or
   - Ranking in the top one-third of their high-school class.
2. Applicants must have experienced discrimination, bullying and/or violence based on belief that applicant is gay, lesbian, bi-sexual or transgendered.
3. Applicants must demonstrate support for GLBT persons.
4. One recipient will be offered the J.L. Cleland GLBT Non-Discrimination Scholarship. The recipient will be awarded a $4,500 scholarship, which may be renewable for a total of four years, for a total of $18,000.

Application Procedure

1. Complete, sign and mail the application Cover Page by March 1, 2014.
2. Complete the University of Kansas admissions process at admissions.ku.edu/apply by March 1, 2014.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Required Documents

1. Application Cover Page.
2. A 1-2 page essay demonstrating their commitment to fostering non-discrimination toward GLBT persons and/or to their commitment to and involvement in the GLBT community.
3. Please provide contact information of two individuals that can serve as a reference check. Individuals may be your guidance counselor, teacher, or a community leader.

Applications will be reviewed by a scholarship committee based on completion of application requirements. Applications and cover page are due March 1, 2014. Applications postmarked after this deadline will not receive consideration for this scholarship. Scholarship recipients will be notified by April 15, 2014.

Contact Information

If you have questions about the application process, please contact Gail Sherron, Associate Director, Financial Aid & Scholarships, University of Kansas, at 785-864-5418 or via email at gsherron@ku.edu.