

Sojourner Truth Fellowship Guidelines

The Sojourner Truth Fellowship is designed to increase the diversity of New Paltz's graduate student population. It may be available on a competitive basis to eligible U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

Eligibility: (Applicants must meet the following criteria)

- Have a 3.0 undergraduate GPA to initially qualify
- Be matriculated in a graduate program at SUNY New Paltz
- Be enrolled for full-time study (12 graduate credits each semester)
- Be a US citizen or Permanent Resident
- Be in pursuit of an initial master's degree (second degree candidates are not eligible for funding)
- Adequately meet the diversity criteria set forth in the essay question below

Awards:

Students who are awarded a Sojourner Truth Fellowship will receive a stipend that may be applied towards their tuition and expenses.

- It is the student's responsibility to sign all registration/student account invoices and pay all college fees
- The stipend amount is awarded on a term basis
- Students must maintain a 3.0 graduate GPA in order to be considered for future funding

How to Apply:

1. Complete a Sojourner Truth Fellowship application form
2. Write a supplemental essay with your application that addresses how any of the following criteria apply to you and how this fellowship would assist you in meeting your professional goals:
 - a history of overcoming disadvantage
 - first-generation college student
 - raised in a single-parent household
 - member of an underrepresented minority group (American Indian or Alaskan native, Black/African American, Mexican American, Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, Puerto Rican, Other Hispanic)
3. Send your Sojourner Truth Fellowship application packet to:
Vika F. Shock
Graduate School, HAB 804
SUNY New Paltz
1 Hawk Drive
New Paltz, New York 12561

Application Deadlines:

- Fall Semester – July 1
- Spring Semester – November 15

Spring funding is limited; please contact The Graduate School before applying.

All Awards are competitive. For more information, applicants should contact Vika F. Shock shockv@newpaltz.edu

Sojourner Truth Fellowship Application Form

Initial Application

Continuing Support
(No Essay Required)

New Paltz ID: _____ Email: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Graduate Program _____

Term GPA: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____

Anticipated Graduation?

Semester Year

Did you participate in EOP, SEEK or HEOP as an undergraduate student?

Yes No

If yes, are you currently receiving a GOPW tuition waiver?

Yes No

Are you currently employed as a GSEU Teaching Assistant or Graduate Assistant?

Yes No

If yes, is your appointment half time or full time?

Half Time Full Time

Are you currently receiving any other types of funding awards

Yes No

If yes, what are they? How much support do you receive? _____

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