DEPARTMENT OF AMERICAN STUDIES MEMORANDUM

TO: AMS Majors and Graduate Students FROM: Dr. Edward Tang, Department Chair

RE: American Studies Scholarships for Spring 2022

The Department of American Studies is pleased to announce the availability of scholarship funds for Spring 2022:

1. **The Olicia Robbin White Memorial Scholarship:** one award of $1,000 to an American Studies major (for juniors or seniors only).
2. **The Louise B. Tate Memorial Endowed Scholarship:** three awards (two for

$1,000; one for $500) to any undergraduate majors or graduate students pursuing a degree in American Studies.

1. **The James Salem Memorial Scholarship:** one award of $500 to an undergraduate student, any year, with an outstanding record and financial need.

We invite you to apply for these scholarships by completing the AMS Scholarship Application Form. The AMS Scholarship Committee will determine the winners and assign the appropriate awards.

The deadline for completed applications is **Monday, January 24, 2022**. Awards made will be given to cover expenses for this Spring semester.

**FAQs:**

# *How competitive are these awards?*

They can be competitive, as determined by the number and quality of the applications. But students can’t win a scholarship if they don’t apply.

# *If a student won a scholarship in the past, can they apply again for another one?*

Yes!

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# *Should the applications be typed, or can students handwrite their answers to the essay* questions?

The essay parts of the application can be either typed on the pdf application, or typed or handwritten on the doc application and then copied/scanned.

# *How do students turn in their completed applications?*

All applications must be emailed to Dr. Tang, the Department Chair of American Studies: [etang@ua.edu.](mailto:etang@ua.edu)

# *How and when will students know about the Scholarship Committee’s decisions on the* awards?

Dr. Tang will send out email notifications by January 28, 2022. For the winners, he will inform them about the specific award and the amount that comes with it.

# *If selected for a scholarship, how do students get the funds?*

A direct deposit will be made to their UA student account.

# *Aside from the money, what other benefits come with a scholarship?*

Awards listed on a resume look great to employers and to professional/graduate school admissions committees.