

## Utah Opportunity Scholarship 2008 – 2009

In memory of William Boyden Oddie and Louise Paddock Oddie

### Deadlines and information workshops

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\*\*\*A mandatory workshop to assist with filling out financial aid forms will occur on February 19, 2008, 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. at the computer Lab in the Residence Hall in Sage Point, 265 Fort Douglas Blvd, Salt Lake City, Utah 84112. Contact Feleti Matagi, [fmalagi@sa.utah.edu](mailto:fmalagi@sa.utah.edu) or 581-4378 for directions.

### Checklist of Documents Needed

You will need records of income earned in the year prior to when you will start school. **You may also need records of your parents' income information if you are a dependent student.**

For the 2008-2009 school years, you will need financial information from 2007. You will need to refer to:

1. Your Social Security Number (can be found on Social Security card)
2. Your driver's license (if any)
3. Your 2007 W-2 Forms and other records of money earned
4. Your (and your spouse's, if you are married) 2006 Federal Income Tax Return
  - a. IRS Form 1040, 1040A, 1040EZ
  - b. Foreign tax return, or
  - c. Tax return for Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the U.S. Virgin Islands, the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, or Palau
5. Your parents' 2007 Federal Income Tax Return (if you are a dependent student)
6. Your 2007 untaxed income records
  - a. Social Security
  - b. Temporary Assistance to Needy Families
  - c. Welfare, or
  - d. Veterans benefits records
7. Your current bank statements
8. Your current business and investment mortgage information, business and farm records, stock, bond, and other investment records
9. Your alien registration or permanent residence card (if you are not a U.S. citizen)

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Students who have strong academic preparation should also consider applying for other scholarships by submitting an Application for General (freshman) Scholarships to the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships.

**The deadline for receipt of UOS applications is February 19, 2008.** You must submit your UOS application and apply to each of the three offices identified below by February 19 to ensure review and consideration by the UOS selection committee. (Please note that this UOS deadline is earlier than the priority filing date for FAFSA.)

**Utah Opportunity Scholarship Application Package** – Please return the following materials to Feleti Matagi, Utah Opportunity Scholarship Program, University of Utah, 201 South Presidents Circle #204, Salt Lake City UT 84112, (801) 581-4378.

1. Application Form for the Utah Opportunity Scholarship
2. Personal Statement
3. Two Letters of Recommendation

**To Apply for Admission** – Please return the following materials to the Office of Admissions, 201 South 1460 East #250, Salt Lake City UT 84112-9057, (801) 581-7281. Available online at [www.sa.utah.edu/admiss/](http://www.sa.utah.edu/admiss/).

1. Application for admission
2. \$35.00 Application Fee. (Students who have financial hardships may request that the application fee be waived. The application for an Admissions Waiver Fee is included in UOS application materials.)
3. High school transcripts
4. ACT or SAT test score

**To Apply for Financial Aid and General Freshmen Scholarships** – *To be considered for the Utah Opportunity Scholarship, submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to the federal processor (Federal Student Aid Programs, PO Box 4008, Mt. Vernon IL 62864-8608, or submit over the Web at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)).* The University of Utah school code is 003675.

To be considered for a general academic scholarship, submit the General (Freshman) Application materials to the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships, 201 South 1460 East Room #105, Salt Lake City UT 84112-9055, (801) 581-6211.

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**Scholarship Application Form**

Please submit this application form and all other supporting documents as noted in the main scholarship description page to the appropriate administrative offices by **February 19, 2008** to ensure that you are fully considered. Date of Application \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_ x \_\_\_\_\_ x \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Gender (M/F) \_\_\_\_\_ Ethnicity \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent City, State & Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

High School Name \_\_\_\_\_ Major Interest in College \_\_\_\_\_

Hours Worked Per Week \_\_\_\_\_ High School Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_ ACT or

SAT Test Score \_\_\_\_\_ Number College Credit Hours Earned \_\_\_\_\_

Advanced Placement Courses Taken \_\_\_\_\_

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Honors Courses Taken \_\_\_\_\_

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**Personal Statement:** On a separate piece of paper, please provide a one to two-page personal statement, in which you address your educational and career goals, your family background, and the reason why you believe you are qualified for this scholarship.

**Letters of Recommendation:** Two recommendations are required. Please use the recommendation forms included. These recommendation forms should be completed by teachers, advisors, counselors, your principal, or others who are aware of the probability of your success in college. The completed recommendation letters and accompanying forms should be returned to: Feleti Matagi, Utah Opportunity Scholarship Program, University of Utah, 201 South Presidents Circle #204, Salt Lake City UT 84112, (801) 581-4378.

Please list the names and telephone numbers of the persons from whom you have requested recommendations here:

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**Recommendation Form**

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**This form should accompany the recommendation letter.**

To the applicant: Please complete the Scholarship Application Form only and give this form to a teacher, advisor, counselor, principal, or someone who is aware of the probability of your success in your chosen course of study at the University of Utah. Please ask that person to send the completed form to: Feleti Matagi, Utah Opportunity Scholarship Program, University of Utah, 201 Presidents Circle #204, Salt Lake City UT 84112, (801) 581-4378.

Student name \_\_\_\_\_ Soc sec. no. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip code \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone no. ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

I waive \_\_\_ I do not waive \_\_\_ my right to have access to this completed recommendation form and any attachments.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Evaluation Form:** To be completed by the individual providing the recommendation and to be sent before the specified deadline to the address noted above. Please provide a statement of recommendation in which you share with us your assessment of the applicant's ability to successfully complete a course of study at the University of Utah. We would like you to share with us how this applicant meets the scholarship criteria as outlined above. Please include your assessment of the applicant's maturity, independent thinking, self-motivation, commitment, responsibility, leadership, judgment, creativity, analytic thinking, and/or communication skills.

Some gifted individuals have mediocre scholastic records. In your opinion, is the applicant's scholastic record, as you know it, an accurate index of his/her scholastic ability? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Evaluator Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_ School/Institution \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

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**Admissions Fee Waiver Request Form**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent City, State & Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Please provide a short statement explaining your financial hardship, and why you require a waiver of the University of Utah \$35.00 admissions fee:**

The responses to this application for a waiver of the \$35.00 fee are true to the best of my knowledge.

Parent Name and Signature

Name and Signature of Support Title

Please obtain a signature from your counselor, teacher, principal, minister or other administrator who is aware of your financial hardship and can support this request for a waiver of the University of Utah application fee.

**After obtaining a signature of support, please submit this fee waiver request form to:**

**Office of Admissions University of Utah  
201 South 1460 East #250  
Salt Lake City UT 84112-9057**