

Libraries Southwest Scholarship Application Form

Part 1 – Applicant Information

Please print or type.

Name Holly Goodwin	
Address 5350 Koll Rd.	
City Jennings	Zip Code 70546
Parish Jefferson Davis Parish	
Phone Number 337-368-8667	Date of Birth 02/03/1988
Email HollyGoodwinMail@gmail.com	
Institution you plan to attend Louisiana State University	
Degree or certification you plan to pursue MLIS	

Work Experience *(please include volunteer experience and internships)*

Dates	Place of Business	Position	Reason for Leaving	Accomplishments
June 14 th , 2009 – July 20 th , 2009	La Familia Resource Center	Summer Camp Volunteer	The summer camp ended and I needed to resume college in the fall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organized learning activities for children • Instructed students in the use of basic Spanish
July 20 th , 2014 – February 21 st , 2014	Rescare	Direct Support Staff	Obtained library technician position	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taught clients reading and math skills • Assisted clients in learning daily routines
February 22 nd - Current	SOWELA Technical Community College	Library Technician		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Created new digital handouts for our website • Instructed classes in information literacy • Presented at conference

Part 2 – Essay

In 300-350 words, please describe your experience and interest in librarianship, your financial need, and how the classes you plan to take will enhance your present role as a library employee.

Please type this essay in a separate Word document using 12-point Times New Roman font. Please include your name at the top of the essay.

Part 3 – Recommendation Form

The committee requires a recommendation form, which should be completed by the applicant's immediate supervisor. It is useful for your supervisor if you provide them with a copy of this scholarship application form along with the recommendation form. Be sure your supervisor has adequate time to complete the form. Your supervisor must put the completed form in a sealed envelope and sign the back of it before giving it to you to turn in with your application materials. **Do not open this sealed recommendation envelope!**

Authorization for Release of Records

I hereby authorize Libraries Southwest to release any information concerning my scholarship application materials to the Libraries Southwest Scholarship Committee, and I permit the use of the information in the essay in publicity for Libraries Southwest.

Applicant's Name Holly Goodwin

Applicant's Signature Holly Goodwin

Date 7/17/15

Dear Libraries Southwest Scholarship Committee,

For the past year and a half I have been working at SOWELA Technical Community College as their Library Technician. The majority of the experience that I use for my job comes from what I learned during undergrad as an English Major and my personal hobbies. I spent a lot of time using both physical and online sources for my research papers. As for my hobbies, I read tech and privacy blogs for enjoyment along with participating in online debates requiring peer reviewed sources. I am excellent at finding the information that I need, and know of ways to get around paywalls such as using PubMed or Google Scholar. My interests align with the duties of a librarian – embracing technology, helping others find information, and guarding privacy. It's easy to see why working as a librarian is my dream job.

I suspect that most Master of Library and Information Science students will have some sort of financial need since we do not receive research grants or fellowships. It is a risky field to get into due to the lack of financial aid combined with rising costs and budget cuts threatening our future job security. On top of these common issues, I have a chronic illness that can be expensive to manage, but I will not allow it to vanquish my dreams. I intend to remain at SOWELA and take online courses through Louisiana State University. My current estimated cost for the degree is \$20,000 total, or \$4,944 per semester and my family is unable to help pay for the degree.

It is mandatory to obtain the MLIS in order to move up in the field and receive more responsibilities. For this upcoming fall semester I am scheduled to take three out of the twelve classes that I will need for the MLIS: LIS 7000 Information and Society, LIS 7002 Information Services, and LIS 7004 Management of Information Organizations. These classes will directly benefit both me and the SOWELA library by giving me more insight and experience in my duties.

Respectfully,

Holly Goodwin



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Class Schedule

Select a campus: LSU

To view your schedule for the current semester:

View Current Schedule

To view your schedule for a semester in which you are enrolled, choose a semester and year:

Fall

2015

View Schedule

FALL 2015

Print Schedule

Dept	Course	Sect	Sess	Hrs	Beg	Ends	Night	Days	Building	Room
LIS	7000	001		3.0	TBA					
LIS	7002	001		3.0	TBA					
LIS	7004	001		3.0	TBA					

Total Hours 9.0



Send Comments or Questions to helcolesk@lsu.edu
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Recommendation Form

PLEASE NOTE: the applicant named below is applying for a scholarship administered by Libraries Southwest. Your recommendation is needed as part of the application process. Please return this form to the applicant in a sealed envelope with your signature across the flap so he/she may submit it as part of a complete package. In addition to completing the form, you may also include a personal letter of recommendation (optional).

Applicant's Name Holly Goodwin

How long have you know this individual? February 2014

Is what capacity does this person work in your library? library technician

Circle the rating most applicable to the applicant on the following criteria using the scale:

(1) Below Average (2) Average (3) Above Average (4) Excellent (5) Outstanding

Goal Oriented 1 2 (3) 4 5

Prospect for Personal Success (career/personal) 1 2 3 (4) 5

Leadership Qualities 1 (2) 3 4 5

Responsibility/Reliability 1 2 3 (4) 5

Creativity/Resourcefulness 1 ~~2~~ (3) 4 5

Prospects for Academic Success 1 2 3 4 (5)

Remarks and general information concerning this individual you feel the selection committee should consider when screening this application, please elaborate on information provided. (Attach additional sheet(s) to elaborate.)

Please see the attached letter

Mary Frances Sherwood
Name (print)

Supervisor
Relationship to Applicant, if any

SOWELA Technical Com. Coll.
Name of Organization/Business

(337) 421-6926 office
Phone

Mary F. Sherwood
Signature

6-15-15
Date

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June 15, 2015

Dr. Linda Lebert-Corbello, President
LSW Scholarship Committee
Libraries Southwest

Dear Dr. Lebert-Corbello and Scholarship Committee,

I am very pleased to write a letter supporting Ms. Holly Goodwin for the LSW Scholarship.

Ms. Goodwin is currently employed at SOWELA Technical Community College – Morgan Smith campus in Jennings. She has been the sole library technician at this site since February 22, 2014. Ms. Goodwin is a dependable employee. She has created new digital handouts, taught several library instruction classes, and presented at the SOWELA Spring Faculty Conference Day.

Ms. Goodwin has been interested in librarianship for several years. While working on her bachelor's degree at McNeese State University in Lake Charles Ms. Goodwin completed five undergraduate library science classes preparing her for entrance into the profession. She has been accepted to the Library and Information Science graduate program at Louisiana State University. She is registered for three courses this coming fall 2015: LIS 7000 Information and Society, LIS 7002 Information Services, and LIS 7004 Management of Information Organizations.

She has expressed to me her interests in technology, reference, and library instruction. She prefers working with adults in an academic or public environment. Ms. Goodwin is very bright; she graduated cum laude from McNeese in 2012 and is a member of Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society. Holly is tech savvy and will make an excellent 21st-century librarian.

I highly recommend Ms. Holly Goodwin for the LSW Scholarship. She is academically deserving, would represent LSW honorably, and is in true need of financial support.

Sincerely,

Mary Frances Sherwood
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