

THE THETA XI EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION OF PITTSBURGH

Elmer D. Kaelin Scholarship Fund Application Form

Elmer D. Kaelin, Pi 406, former leader and active member of the Theta Xi Educational Foundation of Pittsburgh, has been instrumental in the success of the work of the Foundation and multiple chapters within the Allegheny Region. Known to countless Theta Xi Brothers for his tireless efforts to establish chapters in Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia, Brother Kaelin is remembered for his leadership and participation in all Foundation activities, and his particular commitment to build and support our Fraternity throughout the Allegheny Region. Brother Kaelin was honored on July 28, 1995 with membership in the Order of the Unicorn, the highest honor that may be conferred upon a member of Theta Xi by the National Fraternity.

In January, 2007, the Theta Xi Educational Foundation of Pittsburgh unanimously voted to establish the Elmer D. Kaelin Scholarship to honor this outstanding Friend and Brother. This fund is maintained in the Theta Xi Educational Foundation of Pittsburgh and is made possible by the donations of members and friends of active and dormant Chapters throughout the Allegheny Region.

Scholarship Purpose and Criteria for Selection:

The Kaelin Scholarship Fund serves to promote and recognize academic excellence, leadership, commitment to the traditional values of service to chapter, college, community, and country, and overall participation in the Allegheny Region of Theta Xi. The Scholarship is awarded on an annual basis to an active member of a chapter within the Allegheny Region. In the spring of each year, members interested in applying for a scholarship for the coming school year are invited to submit a completed application. The recipient is announced at the annual Allegheny Region Founders Day event, hosted by the Theta Xi Educational Foundation of Pittsburgh. The application form follows.



Section A. Applicant's General Information

Name: _____

Campus Address: _____ Campus Phone: _____

_____ Cell Phone: _____

_____ E-mail: _____

Home Address: _____ Home Phone: _____

Chapter and Roll #: _____

Where do you plan to live for the coming school year? (check one)

- Chapter House University Residence Hall
- Local Apartment Parent's Home Other _____

Birth Date: _____ Are you a U.S. Citizen? Yes _____ No _____

Upcoming Fall Term Enrollment Status: Class Status (circle one): Sophomore Junior Senior

Anticipated Credit hours: Fall _____ Spring _____

Anticipated Graduation Date (Month/Year) _____/_____

Section B: Applicant's Dependency Status

	Yes	No
• Do you anticipate being claimed as a dependent on your parent's tax return this year?	_____	_____
• Are you a United States veteran?	_____	_____
• Are you a ward of the court or are both of your parents deceased?	_____	_____
• Do you have legal dependents?	_____	_____
• Are you married?	_____	_____
• Are you planning to marry in the next year?	_____	_____

Section C: Applicant's Financial Information

Estimated education costs for upcoming school year:

	<u>Fall</u>	<u>Spring</u>
Tuition	\$ _____	\$ _____
Housing/Meals	\$ _____	\$ _____
Books/Materials/Supplies	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other	\$ _____	\$ _____

Estimated fund sources to support education costs for the upcoming school year:

	<u>Fall</u>	<u>Spring</u>
Support from parents/guardians	\$ _____	\$ _____
Summer job savings	\$ _____	\$ _____
Job during school year	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other savings	\$ _____	\$ _____
Social Security	\$ _____	\$ _____
AFDC/ADC	\$ _____	\$ _____
Veterans Benefits	\$ _____	\$ _____
Financial Aid:		
Grant _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Grant _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Loan _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Loan _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
TOTAL	\$ _____	\$ _____

Federal student loans received to date (total/aggregate amounts):

Stafford \$ _____ Perkins \$ _____ Parent PLUS \$ _____

Other Educational Loans: _____ \$ _____

Section D: Special Circumstances

Use this space to discuss unusual expenses, indebtedness, or other special circumstances:

Section E: Letter(s) of Recommendation

Request a letter or letters of recommendation from your chapter president, chapter advisor and/or alumni association/corporation President is sent to the Scholarship Chairman in care of the Pittsburgh Educational Foundation of Pittsburgh – Ron Shidemantle – 1215 Orange Leaf Drive – Christiansburg, VA 24073.

Section F: Grade Transcript

Submit with your application a transcript from your College/University registrar office that includes your grades through the fall academic term of the current school year.

Section G: Publicity

Please submit with your application a photograph of yourself. The Theta Xi Educational Foundation of Pittsburgh will use the photo for publicity purposes only and not as a basis for selecting scholarship recipients. In substitution of a print photograph, a digital photo may be submitted via e-mail to shideman@vt.edu. *Please provide a high-quality portrait picture of yourself.*

Section H: Essay

Please complete and submit your response to the following question in essay form.

Explain why you believe you are the best candidate for the Elmer D. Kaelin Scholarship Award using the below criteria:

1. How has your leadership roles in Theta Xi Fraternity shaped you as a person?
2. Describe the ways you feel you have made a positive difference in Theta Xi Fraternity.
3. Reflect on one leadership experience you have had in the Fraternity and explain how it will contribute to your success in the future.
4. Explain the service work you have been involved with on and off campus and how service relates to the Purpose and Values of Theta Xi Fraternity.

Section I: Compliance

I certify that I do not owe a refund on any grant, am not in default on any student loan, and have not borrowed in excess of any loan limits. I certify that I will use all funding from the Theta Xi Educational Foundation of Pittsburgh only for expenses related to my college/university study. I certify that all of the information and data on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge, and that my plan and intent is to be enrolled as a full-time student and as an active and fully participating chapter member.

Applicant _____ **Date** _____

Return completed application postmarked by the deadline to:

**The Theta Xi Educational Foundation of Pittsburgh
Elmer Kaelin Scholarship Fund Committee
In care of: Ronald Shidemantle
1215 Orange Leaf Drive
Christiansburg, VA 24073**

