



Joint Chinese College Alumni Association of Southern U.S.A.

2021 JCCAA Political Leadership Scholarship in Government and Public Policy

Announcement

Purpose: To encourage and inspire college students and graduate students of Chinese descent to pursue a political career in government and public policy.

Criteria: Eligible applicants must be students of Chinese descent who are currently enrolled in an undergraduate or a graduate program at an accredited college or university. Students who have received this JCCAA Political Leadership Scholarship in Government and Public Policy twice in the past are not eligible to apply. Applicants must have already been offered or be in the process of applying for an internship position for at least six weeks in spring, summer, or fall of 2021 at the office of any U.S. Senator, U.S. Congressman, Texas State Senator, Texas State Representative, or Houston City Council member.

The scholarship recipients will be selected based on the following criteria:

1. Passion and dedication in pursuing a political career in public policy and government
2. Past engagement and future plans in political activities
3. Superior communication skills with flawless English writing and speaking capability
4. Good leadership, people skill, and maturity when dealing with diverse constituents
5. Academic excellence
6. Demonstrated ability to understand Chinese culture and to communicate and work with the Chinese American community

Finalist(s) for the scholarship will be interviewed by the JCCAA Scholarship Committee.

Application: Applicants must submit the following documents to the JCCAA Scholarship Committee:

1. An application form and an English essay with a maximum of 500 words in response to the listed questions (the application form is available at www.jccaa.net.)
2. A college transcript covering all of his/her thus completed undergraduate and graduate work
3. A copy of an internship offering letter from or the application package that has been submitted to the office of a Congressional, State, or Houston City Council office
4. Any additional material, not to exceed five pages, that the applicant wishes to submit in order to establish his/her qualification for this scholarship

Amount: JCCAA intends to award \$2000 to each of the two qualified applicants in 2021. The scholarship will be used to cover the expenses and to support his/her internship work. This scholarship does not prevent the candidate from accepting any other scholarships or financial aids.

Obligations: JCCAA has been a well-established scholarship awarding organization in Houston area since 1987. This Political Leadership Scholarship in Government and Public Policy is a high honor and expected to be acknowledged in all of the recipient's future references. The recipient has the obligation to complete the internship in good standing and obtain a confirmation letter of such status from the hiring office. Upon receiving a copy of the confirmation letter, a check of \$2,000 will be mailed to the scholarship recipient.

Timeline:

1. All required documents must be submitted electronically to the JCCAA Scholarship Committee at fcheng49@yahoo.com no later than **February 28, 2021**.
2. Scholarship recipients will be announced in April/May 2021 and honored at the Scholarship Award Banquet in June 2021.

Contact: All questions must be directed to Frank Cheng at fcheng49@yahoo.com or 281-919-9576.

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Application Form

Please submit the completed Application Form and required documents electronically to the JCCAA Scholarship Committee at fcheng49@yahoo.com no later than **February 28, 2021**.

Please type or print clearly.

Name: _____ (Chinese Name: _____)

Home Address: _____ Gender: M F
_____ Date of Birth: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone: _____

College Name: _____ Yrs. Attended: _____

Major in: _____ Degree Earned: _____

Father's Name:(English/Chinese) _____ JCCAA Member*: Yes No

Mother's Name:(English/Chinese) _____ JCCAA Member*: Yes No

The Congressional, State, or City Council office you plan to work as an intern: _____

_____ Time period: _____

Please attach an English essay with a maximum of 500 words addressing the following:

1. Why are you interested in the political internships?
2. What previous work experience or volunteer work relating to political activities, government, or public policy do you have?
3. What do you see as an ideal career path for you in the next ten years?

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

All information provided with this application will be kept strictly confidential. All documents and materials submitted with this application will not be returned. **JCCAA reserves the right to disqualify applicants who provide fraudulent information.**

* For information only