Miguel Velez Scholarship

Overview
The Miguel Velez Scholarship provides financial support to graduate students who demonstrate outstanding past academic achievement as well as future promise, have financial need, and are citizens of a Latin American country. Preference is given to citizens of Colombia.

Award Amount
This award provides resident fees and a stipend of $9,000 during Spring Quarter of the academic year of the award. Nonresident supplemental tuition and professional degree supplemental tuition are not included.

Submission Deadline: November 17, 2023

Eligibility Criteria
- Students must be citizens of a Latin American country and pursuing a Ph.D. or master’s degree. Students enrolled in self-supporting programs are not eligible.
- Must be in good academic standing and demonstrate financial need.
- Students who are citizens of Colombia or who can prove descent from the donor, Miguel Velez, will be given preference.
- Students from a Latin American country who have AB 540 status are also eligible to apply.

Application Process
Complete the application form, obtain the signature of the Graduate Associate Dean in your school and combine all materials in a single pdf in the order listed below:

1. Miguel Velez Scholarship Application Form (completed with all signatures)
2. Statement of financial need from faculty advisor or department chair
3. Recommendation letter from faculty advisor or department chair
4. Current Curriculum Vitae (CV)
5. Unofficial transcripts through Spring Quarter
6. Copy of passport page showing citizenship in a Latin American country. Residency will be verified via the student information system.

To apply, submit these materials using the Miguel Velez Scholarship – Submission Form by November 17, 2023. Be advised, late or incomplete submissions will not be accepted.

Review Process
A panel of faculty will review all qualified applications and make award recommendations to the Dean. Awards will be announced in January for disbursement in Spring Quarter.

Contact
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