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GEORGE GARRISON & SANDY KIRK

COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR NJIT STUDENTS

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Scholarship Eligibility Criteria and Information:

The George Garrison and Sandy Kirk Community Service Scholarship was established by the NJIT Division of Career Development Services to recognize the commitment and outstanding community service contributions of NJIT students. Each spring, the Division of Career Development Services will award one \$1,000.00 merit-based scholarship and one \$750.00 merit-based scholarships to the candidates selected by the CDS scholarship review committee. The scholarship celebrates the dedication of George Garrison and Sandy Kirk, former CDS staff members, whose work at NJIT furthered the development of quality civic engagement for students.

Eligibility Criteria

- Full-time or part-time NJIT students with a GPA of 2.50 or higher and **who will be taking courses at NJIT for at least one year after the award is presented.**
- Completion of a formal community service project (volunteer or paid) for at least one semesters while enrolled as a student at NJIT.
- Demonstrated exemplary service performance that resulted in sustainable benefit to a community organization (s), community resident(s), and/or the University.
- Demonstrated leadership ability through participation in community service projects.

Scholarship Applications

To be considered for a Community Service Scholarship award, interested students must submit:

- A completed application form
- A one page, typewritten essay describing your long-term commitment to community service. Please include responses to the following questions in your essay. (Please limit each essay to no more than 300 words.)
 1. What community service projects have you participated in and how would you describe the impact of these experiences on your life?
 2. What are your long-term plans for continued involvement in community service?
 3. What unique contribution do you think you can continue to make to improve the quality of life for citizens in New Jersey?
 4. How have you influenced (or how will you influence) other NJIT students to become active in community service projects?
- At least one letter of reference from a current or former project supervisor or a faculty member supporting your involvement in community service.

General Information:

Name _____ NJIT ID # _____

Phone _____ Personal e-mail _____ NJIT e-mail _____

Address _____

Major _____ Minor _____ Undergraduate ___ Graduate ___

Expected graduation date _____

Signature of Applicant _____ **Date** _____

List of Community Service Experiences

Provide information about your Service Project (s). List up to four projects on this application. For additional listings, please use a separate page.

Name of Organization: _____
 Address: _____
 Supv. _____ Telephone #: _____ E-mail: _____
 Your Community Service Project or Job Title _____ Started: _____ Ended: _____
 Brief Description of Service Performed _____

 How Many Hours Did You Serve? _____

Name of Organization: _____
 Address: _____
 Supv. _____ Telephone #: _____ E-mail: _____
 Your Community Service Project or Job Title _____ Started: _____ Ended: _____
 Brief Description of Service Performed _____

 How Many Hours Did You Serve? _____

Name of Organization: _____
 Address: _____
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 Your Community Service Project or Job Title _____ Started: _____ Ended: _____
 Brief Description of Service Performed _____

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Name of Organization: _____
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 Supv. _____ Telephone #: _____ E-mail: _____
 Your Community Service Project or Job Title _____ Started: _____ Ended: _____
 Brief Description of Service Performed _____

 How Many Hours Did You Serve? _____

Please include this list of community service projects, your one-page essay, and a letter of reference with this application form. Incomplete submissions will not be considered. Make sure that your name and phone number are on all submitted documents. You may also include additional (optional) materials that you think the scholarship committee should see about your service projects (newspaper clippings, photos, portfolios, etc)

Mr. George Garrison was Associate Director of CDS Career Planning and Placement at NJIT from 1996 to 2001. His work to promote the career success of all NJIT students and alumni was epitomized by tenacious dedication and commitment to a high standard of excellence. He encouraged and challenged each student to reach their potential by striving for academic and professional excellence. As an Olympic-class track and field athlete, George often served as a mentor for NJIT student-athletes who benefited from his guidance and support. George also believed strongly in the principles of servant-leadership and demonstrated this by serving as the first coordinator of the NJIT Athletes-In-Community Service program for the Division.

Ms. Sandy Kirk was Assistant Director of CDS Community and Public Service at NJIT from 1994 to 1996. From her first day of employment, Sandy worked tirelessly to help establish and promote new community and public service programs for the University. She knew the pulse and needs of the community. As a result, she aggressively pursued all opportunities to collaborate with agencies in linking NJIT students with opportunities to serve others. Sandy was especially committed to serving as a mentor for women of color at NJIT. She would often be found encouraging, nurturing, and supporting women students challenged by the rigors of academic and campus life. Most importantly, Sandy established a benchmark for excellence in service for all who have since held the position in Community & Public Service.