St. Mary's College of Maryland
Don Stabile Alumni Doctoral Scholarship

Description
Established in 2011, the Don Stabile Alumni Doctoral Scholarship is awarded annually to one graduating student or alumna/us who pursues a Ph.D. in one of the liberal arts disciplines. The $5,000 scholarship is a one-time, non-renewable award. However, former awardees may receive more than one award by reapplying in subsequent years. In addition, an applicant who does not receive an award one year may apply for an award in subsequent years.

Eligibility
• Applicants must be a degree-holding alumna/us from St. Mary's College of Maryland (or one of its predecessor schools), or a graduating senior from St. Mary's College of Maryland.
• Applicants must be applying to, or enrolled in, a full-time, degree-seeking doctoral program focused on scholarly research at any accredited college or university in the United States or a recognized college or university abroad (certificate programs, not applicable).
• Those students applying to, or currently enrolled in, medical school, law school or pursuing a doctorate in education are ineligible, but may apply for the Alumni Post-Graduate Scholarship.

Application
The application must include the following documents:
1. Completed application form
2. Resume or curriculum vitae
3. Two letters of reference
4. One page (max 250 words) personal statement (essay) incorporating answers to the following:
   • If awarded this scholarship, what doctoral degree will you pursue or continue to pursue? Explain the reason for your study, career choice, and long-term career plans.
   • Describe your participation in volunteer service activities and other college, civic, professional, or community activities. Indicate dates and degree of your involvement and explain the significance of these activities to your personal and professional aspirations.
   • Specifically, how would you use this $5,000 scholarship to aid in the pursuit of your doctoral degree?

Submit all information by email to alumnioffice@smcm.edu, by fax to (240) 895-2112, or by mail to SMCM Alumni Office, 18952 E. Fisher Road, St. Mary's City, Maryland 20686 by April 15.

Conditions of the Scholarship
• The awardee will sign an “intent to accept award” form, which states responsibility to return the award to the St. Mary's College of Maryland Foundation if he or she does not finish out the academic year at their doctoral institution.
The awardee will write a one-page summary of his or her experience when the academic year is over.

**Award**

Conferral of the scholarship is contingent upon the submission and verification of the undergraduate academic record (official transcript from St. Mary's College) and, if applicable, graduate/professional school transcript(s).

The awardee will receive their scholarship by check once the “intent to accept award” form is returned and enrollment in a doctoral program is verified.