SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC FINANCE GRADUATE STUDENTS

Summary
The 2015 Daniel B. Goldberg Scholarship of $12,000 is available to a full-time graduate student who is pursuing an advanced degree preparing for a career in state or local government finance. This scholarship is funded by the Girard Miller Foundation. The winner, if one is selected, will be invited to attend the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada’s (GFOA) annual conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, May 31-June 3, 2015, where the award will be presented. The GFOA will provide a complimentary annual conference registration and pay for transportation costs to Philadelphia and hotel accommodations.

Eligibility
Currently a full-time student in a graduate program that prepares students for careers in state and local government finance and expecting to be enrolled in the spring 2015 semester (including spring 2015 graduates).

Baccalaureate degree or its equivalent.

Citizen or permanent resident of the United States or Canada.

Recommendation from student’s academic advisor or dean of the graduate program.

Student has not been a past winner of a scholarship program administered by the GFOA.

Deadline
February 20, 2015

Award Announcement
April 30, 2015

Applications and additional information are available under “Student Opportunities” at www.gfoa.org.

Contact
Scholarship Committee
Government Finance Officers Association
203 North Lasalle Street
Suite 2700
Chicago, IL 60601-1210
(312/977-9700)
DANIEL B. GOLDBERG SCHOLARSHIP
Funded by the Girard Miller Foundation

AWARD: The Daniel B. Goldberg Scholarship is available for award to a full-time graduate student who is pursuing an advanced degree and is preparing for a career in state and local government finance.

AMOUNT: $12,000

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: February 20, 2015

AWARD ANNOUNCEMENT: April 30, 2015

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:
- Currently a full-time student in a graduate program that prepares students for careers in state and local government finance and expecting to be enrolled in the spring 2015 semester (including spring 2015 graduates).
- Baccalaureate degree or its equivalent.
- Citizen or permanent resident of the United States or Canada.
- Recommendation by your academic advisor or the dean of the graduate program.
- Student has not been a past winner of a scholarship program administered by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada.

CRITERIA FOR SCHOLARSHIP AWARD:
- Statement of proposed career plan in state and local government finance and proposed plan of graduate study.
- Plans to pursue a career in state or local government finance.
- Past academic record and work experience.
- Strength of past coursework and present plan of study, as it relates to a career in the public sector.
- Letters of recommendation from your academic advisor, the dean of the graduate program, and others.
- Undergraduate and graduate grade point averages.

APPLICATION:
Applicants must submit the following documents for consideration by the scholarship selection committee:
- Application form.
- Statement of proposed career plan in state and local government finance and plan of graduate study.
- Undergraduate and graduate grade transcripts.
- Résumé.
- Academic advisor’s or dean’s letter of recommendation.
- Graduate program faculty and other letters of recommendation (optional).

All of the above items are to be submitted by the applicant’s academic advisor or dean in a single envelope, postmarked no later than February 20, 2015, to:

Government Finance Officers Association, Scholarship Committee,
203 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2700, Chicago, Illinois 60601-1210

The Government Finance Officers Association’s Scholarship Committee will review all applications and make an award if it determines that one of the candidates has met all of the criteria. Applicants will be notified in writing on or before April 30, 2015, of the committee’s final decision.

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Name ____________________________________________

Address __________________________________________

City, State, Zip Code __________________________________

Telephone _________________________________________

E-mail ______________________________________________

Country of Citizenship or Permanent Residence ___________

Graduate School ______________________________________

School and Location __________________________________

Major/Minor _________________________________________

Anticipated Date of Graduation _________________________

Graduate Grade Point Average ___________________________

Undergraduate School(s):

School and Location __________________________________

Major/Minor _________________________________________

Degree Obtained and Date ______________________________

School and Location __________________________________

Major/Minor _________________________________________

Degree Obtained and Date ______________________________

Overall Undergraduate Grade Point Average: _______________
DANIEL B. GOLDBERG SCHOLARSHIP

COURSE OF STUDY DATA TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT

List all of the accounting and government finance courses you have completed since you began your current program. For each course, record the grade you received, including the plus (+) or minus (-) grades.

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List all the courses you plan to take to complete your course of study.

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List any major papers, theses, or internships you have completed or are working on that relate to your graduate program or state and local government finance career choice.

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Attach a statement (not to exceed two pages typed, double spaced) describing your proposed plan of graduate study and your state and local government finance career plans. Be specific about the type of government career you plan to pursue and why you chose it. Also, describe any work experience, including internships and volunteer work on projects, relative to your graduate plan of study or state and local government finance career choice.