May 4th Legacy Scholarships for Peace and Conflict Studies Majors (BA and MA students)

The May 4th Legacy Scholarship Program was established by Kent State University in 2020. This program provides four scholarships to be given to students majoring in our Peace and Conflict Studies program. Each scholarship will bear the name of one of the students killed (Allison Krause, Jeffrey Miller, Sandra Scheuer and William Schroeder) to serve as a lasting testament to their lives and presence at Kent State.

To donate to the May 4th Legacy Scholarship fund, click here: https://www.kent.edu/may4kentstate50/may-4-legacy-scholarships

Four scholarships will be available in 2024. Information on how to apply can be found below.

Four May 4th Legacy Scholarships for Peace and Conflict Studies Majors
Deadline for Application for 2024 scholarships: May 1, 2024

Further Details: Each of the four scholarships is in the name of one of the students killed at Kent State on May 4th 1970: Allison Krause, Jeffrey Miller, Sandra Scheuer and William Schroeder.

For more information about May 4, 1970 and the students honored by these scholarships, see: https://www.kent.edu/spcs/may-4-information

Value for 2024: $3,000 per scholarship

Eligibility:
- The May 4th Legacy Scholarships are available to undergraduate students majoring in a program of study in the School of Peace and Conflict Studies. Students pursuing an MA in Peace and Conflict Studies are also eligible to apply. (No more than two scholarships can be awarded to graduate students.)
- Students beginning or continuing a relevant program of study in SPCS are eligible to apply.

Criteria for Award: Applications will be evaluated against the following criteria:
- A demonstrable commitment to peaceful change
- Academic excellence
- Applications from students from under-represented groups (e.g. low-income, first generation, minority, LGBQT+ students) will be particularly welcomed
• The scholarship may be applied to any of the following costs associated with attending KSU: Tuition, Room and Board, Fees, Books and Supplies

Application Process:
Eligible students beginning or continuing their studies in summer or fall 2023 should submit the following:
• A document discussing your educational history (including program of study in SPCS) and relevant grades.
• A personal statement (up to 750 words) that:
  • Demonstrates knowledge of May 4th and discusses its significance for you
  • Provides evidence of your previous commitment to peaceful change and/or how you plan to bring about peaceful change in the future.
  • Indicates how you will use the funds

Applications will be considered by the SPCS Faculty Advisory Committee (FAC). We will normally aim to communicate decisions on awards within a month of the deadline for application, however, there may be occasions where the process takes longer (e.g. if we receive a large number of applications). All decisions of the FAC will be final.

Award recipients will become part of the community of May 4th Legacy Scholars listed on the SPCS website. We will also be consulting with scholarship recipients on how best to facilitate online networking and support between recipients.

Inquiries about the scholarships can be emailed to Professor Neil Cooper: cooper@kent.edu

Final applications should be sent to the School of Peace and Conflict Studies: spcs@kent.edu

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Information about previous May 4th Legacy Scholars can be found here: https://www.kent.edu/spcs/scholarships/may-4th-legacy-scholars