Wick Poetry Center

The Maggie Anderson Travel Scholarship

The Maggie Anderson Travel Scholarship aims to assist talented writing students at Kent State University with writing-related travel expenses. Funds may be used to offset the costs of writers’ conferences, workshops, and readings, as well as to establish exchange programs with other organizations. The scholarship may also be used to fund part or all of a writing-related travel experience. **The Maggie Anderson Travel Scholarship cannot be used to fund any project that is part of a Kent State University course, including education abroad experiences.**

Maggie Anderson, poet, professor emerita of English, and the founding director of the Wick Poetry Center, created the fund after her retirement from Kent State University in 2009. This legacy gift speaks to the powerful role that travel can play in a writer’s life and honors Anderson’s profound contribution to poetry. Anderson herself has traveled to several states and countries in the name of poetry and boasts an award-winning catalog of work distinctly shaped by those experiences.

If you are a current Kent State University undergraduate or graduate student and wish to apply for this scholarship, please fill out this application and send it, your resume, and a 10-page creative writing sample to David Hassler, director of the Wick Poetry Center at dhassle1@kent.edu. The sample should reflect your best creative writing (poetry, fiction, creative non-fiction, etc.) It could be ten poems, a short story, an excerpt from a longer piece of writing, or mixed genre.

Please note that there is not a deadline to apply for scholarship from the Maggie Anderson Endowment Fund. David Hassler will review all proposals, and applicants will be notified within two months of submitting whether they have been awarded funding.
Name__________________________ Date____________________

Year in School___________________ Major___________________

Expected Graduation Semester and Year________________________

Requested Scholarship Amount (up to $1,000)___________________

Travel Destination_________________________________________

Travel Dates______________________________________________

Briefly explain where you are going or proposing to go, and why your trip will be a writing-related travel experience?

How will this travel experience enhance your writing or contribute to a particular writing project?

How did you find out about the Maggie Anderson Travel Scholarship?

Please provide a detailed budget for how the scholarship funds will be used. For example, students have used funds for conference admission fees, writing retreat fees, airfare and accommodation fees, etc.