

Robert A. Davis Memorial Scholarship
Student Personnel Administration Department
SUNY- Buffalo State

The Robert A. Davis Memorial Scholarship (RAD) is designed for students enrolled in Buffalo State's Student Personnel Administration Department's (SPA) graduate program. Recipients will be expected to provide a report that will become part of the Student Personnel Administration (SPA) Conference the following November. This is an opportunity for scholars to share their experience with colleagues and future recipients.

This endowed scholarship is named in honor of Robert A. "Bobby" Davis. Bobby was the first serviceman from the Chester County, PA area to die in the Viet Nam War. After graduating from high school in 1960, Bobby was drafted to serve his country. He died as an American Hero in the infamous battle of Ia Drang; a battle that changed the war in Viet Nam forever.

SCOPE

The Robert A. Davis (RAD) Memorial Scholarship is designed to assist scholars with offsetting expenses related to attendance at a national conference, networking with other professionals, meeting prospective employers, and developing professionally.

ELIGIBILITY

The scholarship is open to students who are currently enrolled with at least six (6) credits completed in the Student Personnel Administration Department Graduate Program at Buffalo State and have maintained a 3.5 GPA at the time of application. Applications must be received by the September 30th deadline.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Applications for the RAD Scholarship will be reviewed by a selection committee consisting of the RAD Committee Chair of GASPA, one faculty member from the department, and external reviewers chosen from the RAD Board of Directors. Scholars will be selected on the basis of the following criteria:

- Quality of academic achievement and goals
- Participation in volunteer and/or extracurricular activities
- Significance to scholar of attendance at a national conference and the anticipated impact of the conference on the scholar's goals

STIPENDS

The Robert A. Davis Memorial Scholarship is endowed. The number of awards and the amount of stipends will vary each year based on available funds.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

A complete application must include one hard copy:

- Robert A. Davis Application
- 1000-word essay of eligibility
- Buffalo State student transcript

Also include:

- One (1) confidential and professional reference letter from an employer, internship supervisor, etc. Reference must be submitted in a signed, sealed envelope with the application packet.

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION

Completed applications must be postmarked no later than September 30th.

Application packets are to be sent directly to:

Dr. Wanda M. Davis, Professor, Graduate Faculty
Buffalo State
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APPLICATION
Student Personnel Administration Department
SUNY- Buffalo State

Application Deadline: September 30th

Notification Date: SPA Conference-November

Full Name: _____
Last First Middle

Telephone: Home _____ Other _____

E-mail: _____ **Number of SPA course credits completed:** _____

Transcript attached: Yes ____ No ____

Reference: List name, title, phone number, and e-mail address.

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Name Title Phone E-mail

1000-word description of eligibility including, but by no means restricted to the following elements:

- ◆ A statement of the area of interest for professional work
- ◆ Discussion of your academic achievements and proposed goals for work in this field
- ◆ What you hope to gain from attendance at a national conference
- ◆ Participation in volunteer and/or extracurricular activities
- ◆ Description of the national conference you wish to attend.