



ELVA S. SMITH SCHOLARSHIP

I. Intent of Scholarship

The Elva S. Smith Scholarship was established to honor Elva S. Smith, who was a professor of children's services at the Carnegie Library School from 1904 to 1944. She published many books about children's literature, including *The History of Children's Literature* and *Subject Headings for Children's Books in Public Libraries and in Libraries in Elementary and Junior High Schools*.

The Elva S. Smith Scholarship is a full-tuition scholarship for three terms of study leading to a Masters of Library and Information Science degree. It is awarded to an individual who exhibits potential to contribute to the service of children and young adults in a public library.

II. Guidelines for Selection

The Financial Aid Committee reviews the applications for the Elva S. Smith Scholarship and makes its recommendations to the Chair of the Department. The scholarship for a given year is not granted if the Financial Aid Committee determines that there is no eligible candidate.

Qualifications:

- Be a U.S. citizen or a permanent resident;
- Be accepted into the MLIS program;
- Demonstrate high academic achievement;
- Demonstrate potential to serve children and young adults in a public library environment.

Applications for the Elva S. Smith Scholarship should include:

- A completed Departmental Financial Aid application form;
- The Elva A. Smith Scholarship form;
- A current resume citing education, work experience, publications, etc., and
- A short essay that addresses career goals.

Send forms to:

Admissions Coordinator
School of Information Sciences
University of Pittsburgh
Room 505 IS Building
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Pittsburgh, PA 15260



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ELVA S. SMITH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Date of submission: _____ / _____ / _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email address: _____

Number of attached pages: _____

Degree Program (specify degree) _____

1. Please attach a current resume.
2. Please attach an essay of up to 500 words that addresses your career goals of working with children and young adults in a public library. If additional space is required, please staple pages to this application form.
