



Government Finance Officers Association of Texas (GFOAT)

Lynn F. Anderson Fellowship in Government Finance

LYNN F. ANDERSON

Professor Lynn Anderson, known to thousands of Texas public officials through continuing education and professional development programs he devised on their behalf, relinquished his administrative position as director of the Office of Conferences and Training at the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs at The University of Texas at Austin.

The move became effective September 1, 1990, at which time he returned to full-time teaching on the LBJ School faculty, where his special area of expertise is public financial management. From time to time he also will offer topical seminars such as a recent one focusing on state and local governments learning to manage with less.

Professor Anderson has been associated with UT Austin for more than 40 years. He began on the staff of the University's Bureau of Municipal Research in 1946, holding research positions and then the directorship. From 1950 to 1971, he was assistant director and at times acting director of the Institute of Public Affairs, which succeeded the bureau and then later merged into the operation of the LBJ School. Professor Anderson also is a former member of the Finance and Accounting Department in the UT Austin College of Business Administration.

As director of the LBJ School's Office of Conferences and Training, Professor Anderson annually arranged more than a dozen conferences, seminars and institutes for about 1,000 public officials on subjects ranging from public purchasing to county auditing and from government finance to improving the effectiveness of state boards. Participants have come from the Governor's Office and the Texas Legislature as well as from a variety of city, county and state agencies.

In 1982, he was named winner of the first Career Development in Financial Management Award, given by the Municipal Finance Officers Association of the U.S. and Canada for excellence in in-service training and professional development of public finance officers.

For more than two decades Professor Anderson edited the periodical Public Affairs Comment. He has served on numerous advisory and study commissions at national, state and local levels. For several years, he was on the National Council on Governmental Accounting, the national body which developed recognized standards of accounting and financial reporting for state and local government in the United States. The native Texan earned two degrees from UT Austin.

Honors/Awards: Annual Award for Outstanding Achievement, Austin Society for Public Administration, April 22, 1976.

Career Development in Financial Officers Association of the U.S. and Canada, New Orleans, LA, May 24, 1982.

ICMA Academic Award in Memory of Stephen B. Sweeney, 1987, Montreal, Canada, October 1987.

FELLOWSHIP IN GOVERNMENT FINANCE OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGY

OBJECTIVE - The objective of the Fellowship in Governmental Finance is to help those persons interested in local governmental finance achieve educational excellence while providing Texas cities with professional financial decision-makers.

FUNDING - The fellowship is a \$4,000 (\$2,000 per semester) scholarship awarded for a period of one year.

STRATEGY - The strategy has been to notify as many institutions and agencies as possible in order to afford this opportunity to as many individuals as possible. During the time a recipient is receiving the Fellowship, every effort is made to include the recipient in as many GFOAT activities as possible in order to gain the maximum exposure for the recipient as well as GFOAT.

CALENDAR

Advertise and Promote - Through July

Application deadline - Must be postmarked on or before July 31

Interviews (if required) - September

Notify Recipient - September 30th

Recognize Recipient - Fall and/or Spring Conference

PROCEDURE

Once the application is submitted, selection is made for eligible candidates to interview. After award of the Fellowship, appropriate documents must be transmitted to secure funds. Participation at the GFOAT Fall and Spring Conferences is also provided to recipient. See calendar for scheduling dates.



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FELLOWSHIP INFORMATION

Please review the following criteria that will be used in the evaluation process by the Scholarship/Fellowship/Foundation Committee:

1. The period of the Fellowship is one year (30-36 hours of course credit) commencing with the fall semester.
2. Students enrolled part-time (less than nine graduate hours per semester) while working full-time in a city or other governmental entity will be considered; however, only after first priority has been given to full-time students.
3. The amount of the Fellowship will be \$4,000, which will not be divided among multiple winners. There will be only one winner each year.
4. The winner will be required to submit periodic progress reports outlining courses taken, grades received, and special assignments completed.
5. The \$4,000 Fellowship will be provided in equal amounts at the beginning of the recipient's first two semesters.
6. Applicants must be a Texas resident prior to receiving any Fellowship money must be accepted to attend a Texas University.

GFOAT

The Government Finance Officers Association of Texas (GFOAT) is an association whose objectives include the professional practice of governmental financial management through sponsorship of educational opportunities for its members. GFOAT seeks to represent its membership by active study of the problems of financial management and by the encouragement of high professional standards. Although not formally affiliated with the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada, the GFOAT shares many of the goals of this international organization and seeks to extend the same educational and professional opportunities to its members on a statewide level.

The Association's activities are controlled by a Board of Directors, which consist of the elected officers and the immediate past president. The elected officers are the President, President-Elect, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer and three (3) State Representatives. The GFOAT is affiliated with the Texas Municipal League, an organization dedicated to excellence in all aspects of municipal management.

There are currently over 750 GFOAT members throughout the State of Texas. These members hold one of four (4) types of memberships: Active, Associate, Faculty/Student or Honorary.

Continuing education is accomplished through a number of ways, including conferences, seminars, scholarships, regional meetings and the newsletter.

The GFOAT established a foundation for the basis of awarding the Governmental Finance Fellowship to a graduate student in the area of governmental finance. This fellowship is awarded based on intent of study and future career choice. The foundation has been established by donations from various sponsors and intends to grow to a significant level. In the Spring of 1987, this fellowship was formally titled the Lynn F. Anderson Fellowship.

FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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PRIOR GFOAT TEXAS FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS

Art Ochoa', Fort Worth, Texas-1983 SCHOLAR MPA from Texas Tech University, August 1986

Mark Snodgrass, Corpus Christi, Texas - 1984 SCHOLAR MPA, University of Texas at San Antonio, May 1987

Reta Keele Day, Dallas, Texas - 1985 SCHOLAR MPA, North Texas State University, Denton, Texas, May 1988

Kimberely Edwards, Austin, Texas - 1986 SCHOLAR MPA, LBJ School of Public Affairs, University of Texas at Austin, May 1988

Lucille Montondon, Houston, Texas - 1986 SCHOLAR (Partial funding) PhD. in Accounting, University of Houston, December 1986

Michael Webb, Denton, Texas - 1987 SCHOLAR MPA, North Texas State University, Denton, Texas, May 1988

Teresa Quezada - Torres, El Paso, Texas - 1988 SCHOLAR MPA, University of Texas at El Paso, 1989

Marilu Hastings, Austin, Texas- 1989 SCHOLAR MPA, University of Texas at Austin, 1990

Marcus Johnston, Levelland, Texas- 1990 SCHOLAR MPA, Texas Tech University, May 1991

Kent Pfeil, Denton, Texas - 1991 SCHOLAR MPA, University of North Texas, May 1992

Mac Coffield, College Station - 1992 SCHOLAR MPA, Texas A&M University, 1993

Andrew Wayman, Denton, Texas- 1993 SCHOLAR MPA, University of North Texas, 1994

Kelly Trombly, Houston, Texas- 1994 SCHOLAR MPA, University of Houston, 1995

Chris Molison, Houston, Texas- 1995 SCHOLAR MPA, University of Houston, 1996

Angela Gray, Austin, Texas- 1996 SCHOLAR MPA, Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos

Michael Scott, Dallas, Texas- 1996 SCHOLAR MPA, University of North Texas, 1997

Steven Perry, Lewisville, Texas- 1997 SCHOLAR 1997-1998 Graduate Studies - MPA, University of North Texas, 1998

Michael E. Hall, Lubbock, Texas- 1998 SCHOLAR 1998-99 Graduate Studies - Texas Tech University

James Rodney Gonzales, San Marcos, Texas - 1999 SCHOLAR 1999-00 Graduate Studies - Southwest Texas State University

Shelley Goodnight, Lubbock, Texas- 2000 SCHOLAR 2000-01 Graduate Studies - MBA, Wayland Baptist University

Karin Herrmann, Richardson, Texas- 2001 SCHOLAR Graduate Studies - MPA, University of North Texas

Eric Olmedo, Carrollton, Texas- 2002 SCHOLAR Graduate Studies - MPA, University of North Texas

Kathleen Coats Cervenka, - 2003 SCHOLAR MPA, University of North Texas

Jennifer Ashenart-Hawkins, The Colony, Texas - 2004 SCHOLAR MPA, University of North Texas.

Mark Jackson, Denton, Texas- 2005 SCHOLAR MPA, University of North Texas.

Rachel Smithson, Baytown, Texas- 2006 SCHOLAR MPA, University of North Texas

Cynthia Henry, Denton, Texas- 2007 SCHOLAR MPA, University of North Texas

Michael Aguilera, Denton, Texas - 2008 SCHOLAR MPA, University of North Texas

Luke Lybrand, Keller, Texas - 2009 SCHOLAR MPA, University of North Texas



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I. Personal Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Tele# _____ Email _____

II. Education

Institution	City/State	Mo/Yr Grad	Degree/Major
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Total number of Financial Managment hours earned (Accounting, Finance and other *business* related classes) _____

III. Work Experience (List in chronological order)

Mo/Yr-Mo/Yr	Employer	Title	Duties
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Reason for leaving	<input type="text"/>		
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IV. Recognition and Honors

School (include academic honors):

Community, Volunteer
& Other Service Activities:

Professional/Other:



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Applicant's Name: _____

V. Additional Information Required

1. Official transcript of all college work, showing graduate and undergraduate degrees, courses, credits, and grades must accompany this application.
2. This application and resume should be forwarded with a letter of transmittal (page 3) explaining why you want to enter the financial management field, reasons for selecting the particular school you have chosen, your commitment to the profession and why you believe you should be considered for this fellowship.
3. Each applicant must secure endorsement from two individuals. These endorsements must be received from any 2 of the following persons: (a) Dean of appropriate school, (b) Professor of senior undergraduate class or graduate class, or (c) immediate supervisor or chief executive officer at a place of employment. Each endorsement must specify (a) the relationship between the applicant and the endorser and (b) the qualities of the applicant which, in the opinion of the endorser, uniquely qualifies the applicant for consideration of the fellowship. See page 5.
4. Complete the checklist on page 4.

VI. Other

Please answer the following questions:

How did you find out about this fellowship?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> School Website | <input type="checkbox"/> Friend/Colleague |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GFOAT Website | <input type="checkbox"/> Employer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher/Instructor | Other _____ |

Have you applied for a GFOAT scholarship/fellowship before?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | When _____ | Name of Scholarship _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No | | |

Are you a previous GFOAT scholarship/fellowship recipient?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | When _____ | Name of Scholarship _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No | | |

Please print and sign this application: _____ Date _____



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Transmittal Letter

Applicant's Name: _____

1) Please explain why you want to enter the financial management field:

2) List the reasons for selecting the particular school you have chosen:

3) Explain your commitment to the profession as it relates to financial management :

4) Explain why you believe you should be considered for this fellowship:

(You may attach additional pages if necessary.)



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CHECKLIST FOR GFOAT SCHOLARSHIP/FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION

- Completed pages 1 and 2 of application.
- Page 2 of application is signed and dated.
- Letter of transmittal (page 3) is completed.
- 2 Endorsements have been provided (to be completed by endorser and provided directly to GFOAT).
- Resume is attached.
- Official transcripts are included.
- Letter of acceptance to a particular college (Part V).

Award notification will be provided to applicant within 30 days after due date.
Please do not contact the GFOAT regarding the status of an application.

MAIL, EMAIL OR FAX APPLICATION ON OR BEFORE **July 31** TO:

GFOAT SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
C/O CITY OF BAYTOWN
ATTN: TERI ROCHE', BUDGET OFFICER
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BAYTOWN, TX 77520

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