2018 TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP CAMPUS APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Applicants must be nominated by UCLA’s Truman Scholarship Committee to be considered as applicants by the Truman Foundation. UCLA may nominate up to seven candidates – four who entered as freshmen and three who entered as transfers.

The January 9, 2018 campus deadline allows the campus committee to review applications carefully and select those nominees who are most competitive before the Truman Foundation’s February deadline.

START EARLY; CAREFULLY READ “Guidance to Candidates” on the Truman website (http://www.truman.gov) before (and after) completing the application. The UCLA Scholarship Resource Center provides individual advising to help students prepare competitive applications.

Spend some time looking through the website (http://www.truman.gov/candidates), since you will find very helpful resources for filling out the application

The sample application can be found at: http://www.truman.gov/sample-application-forms/
Please use the “sampleapplication.doc” located at the bottom of the page.

To apply for a University nomination, you must complete the following steps:

- You must contact the UCLA Scholarship Resource Center to express your intention to apply for the scholarship. Please email UCLA’s Truman Representative, Dr. Rebecca Blustein, at rblustein@college.ucla.edu (or call 310-206-2875 between 11:00am and 6:00pm only). Dr. Blustein will grant you access to the official online Truman application at the Truman website http://www.truman.gov

- Once you have been granted access to the Truman application, you will be required to complete the entire online application. You must print out your application and submit a copy with your transcript to the Scholarship Resource Center by the deadline date of 6:00 pm, January 9, 2018. PLEASE PAPERCLIP YOUR MATERIALS.

- You must submit unofficial transcripts from all colleges and universities attended. The transcripts should be sent to YOU, not to the Scholarship Resource Center.

- You will need to provide one to two letters of recommendation with your campus application. Each letter should focus on a different aspect of your potential as a candidate:
---Commitment to a career in public service

---Leadership abilities and potential

---Intellect and prospects for continuing academic success

(Please note that if you are selected as a UCLA nominee for the Truman Scholarship, you will be required to get a third letter of recommendation in a short period of time.) As with all other materials, the letters must be received by 6:00 p.m. on January 9, 2018. Letters should be sent as a Word or PDF file to UCLA’s Truman rep, Dr. Rebecca Blustein (rblustein@college.ucla.edu). Paper letters should not be submitted unless it is not possible to submit electronic versions.

DEADLINE: January 9, 2018 at 233 Covel Commons by 6:00.