

APPLICATION FORM 2006  
STONECOAST SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS  
University of Southern Maine  
DEADLINE: MAY 5, 2006

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Initial \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/Town \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Student I.D. Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Semesters at Stonecoast \_\_\_\_\_

Concentration \_\_\_\_\_ Total earned credit hours \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Stonecoast MFA Scholarship Opportunities**

**Maine Resident** (available to Maine residents only) In an essay of up to 500 words, explain how Maine has influenced your writing and/or how your writing might contribute to the culture of Maine. Applicants will be evaluated on the quality of the writing, applicability to specific goals of the scholarship, and/or the student's financial need.

**Cultural Diversity:** In an essay of up to 500 words, explore how living in a culturally or ethnically diverse environment has affected your writing and/or how your writing might enhance awareness of cultural or ethnic diversity. Applicants will be evaluated on the quality of the writing, applicability to specific goals of the scholarship, and/or the student's financial need.

**Social Action:** In an essay of up to 500 words, describe a specific writing project you plan to work on at Stonecoast and explain how your project will contribute creatively to positive social change. Applicants will be evaluated on the quality of the writing, applicability to specific goals of the scholarship, and/or the student's financial need.

**Academic Merit:** In an essay of up to 500 words, discuss how your writing relates to the traditions and conventions of your genre and/or how your work might change or contribute to the genre. Applicants will be evaluated on the quality of the writing, applicability to specific goals of the scholarship, and/or the student's financial need.

***Additional Information (Optional):***

Attach a one-page outline listing your writing activities, community and writing affiliations (?)

Which scholarships would you like to apply for? \_\_\_\_\_

- Are you recognized by USM as a Maine resident?      Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
- Have you applied for Financial Aid for 2005-2006?      Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

I give USM permission to publish my name as a MFA scholarship recipient Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

GUIDELINES AND INFORMATION  
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University of Southern Maine

The University of Southern Maine confirms its commitment to recognize and reward students' achievements both inside and outside the program.

**DEADLINES:**  
**Materials must be postmarked by Friday, May 5, 2006**

**GUIDELINES and INFORMATION:**

You must submit TWO COPIES of your completed application and writing materials by the printed deadline, May 5, 2006.

When you complete the application process, a committee will read and evaluate the quality of the writing, applicability to specific goals of the scholarships, and/or the student's financial need.

Students are selected for these scholarships SOLELY upon the criteria developed by the committee in accordance to University of Southern Maine policies. However, if you receive financial aid, Federal regulations require the University to include any scholarships received into your financial aid package.

You will be notified in writing whether you will receive a scholarship or award.

We do not accept electronic materials. Please send to: Stonecoast MFA in Creative Writing, Attention: Scholarship Committee, 222 Deering Ave, Portland, Maine 04102. Postmark Deadline to Apply: Friday, May 5, 2006