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**HARRY S. TRUMAN  
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

Provisions for Annual Competition

**Title 45—Public Welfare**  
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**SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

**Annual Competition for Truman**  
**Scholarships; Final Provisions**

**AGENCY:** Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The following are the regulations governing the annual competition for Harry S. Truman Scholarships, as amended by the Board of Trustees of the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation on July 18, 1977. The purpose of these amended regulations is to change certain provisions which in light of the experience of the first year's scholarship competition needed clarification or correction.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** August 1, 1977.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The following regulations were adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation on September 20, 1976 and amended on July 18, 1977.

The Harry S. Truman Memorial Scholarship Act honors the thirty-third President of the United States by creating a perpetual education Scholarship program to help college students prepare for public service careers. The program was established as a living memorial to President Truman because of his high regard for the public trust, his lively exercise of political talents, his broad knowledge and understanding of the American political and economic system, and his strong desire for increased educational opportunities for young people.

The Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation is authorized to award Scholarships to persons preparing for a career in public service. The Foundation has defined public service to mean participation in government, with emphasis on administration and management and on potential leadership ability. Careers at all levels and functions of government are specifically included in this definition.

The Foundation will carry out an annual nationwide Scholarship competition for outstanding college students who plan to follow careers in public service. Nominees for Truman Scholarships must specify in their application their interest in pursuing a career in public service and how their educational plans will prepare them for the chosen career goal. They should detail how the planned academic program will prepare for a specific career in government. Courses in history, political science, public administration, economics and finance,

and international relations are among the types of studies considered by many educators to be appropriate in this connection. No such list of areas of study can be comprehensive or exhaustive, however, and applicants should feel free to offer other germane fields of study that they believe would help them prepare for a career in government.

The regulations set forth below govern the annual Scholarship competition. They are issued under the authority of the Harry S. Truman Memorial Scholarship Act, Pub. L. 93-642 (20 U.S.C. 2001-2012).

The amendments adopted to these regulations on July 18, 1977 were technical in nature, made to clarify provisions which needed such clarification or correction in light of the first year's scholarship competition.

During the course of the first national competition for Harry S. Truman Scholarships, minor inconsistencies and confusion developed with respect to some provisions of the Foundation's regulations governing the annual competition. These could not be foreseen when the original regulations were issued on September 28, 1976 (41 FR 42666).

The definition of "Junior" in § 1801.4 has been revised to indicate that a person is eligible who will have received credit for more than half of the second year of college, but not more than half of the third year of college prior to the beginning of the year for which eligible. This recognized the increasing variations in pace with which college students pursue their academic careers, rather than the "lock-step" approach so common in the past.

A change to the definition of "Resident" in § 1801.4 was made in order to clarify the standards by which a determination of residency is made. The revised language includes the following criteria: parents' place of residence, eligibility for "in-State" tuition rates at public institutions of higher education, and place of registration to vote.

Section 1801.11(b) and 1801.15 were amended to give a more detailed explanation of the role of each college's Faculty Representative for the Truman Scholarship Program. It is the responsibility of this person to serve in a liaison capacity between the institution of higher education and the Foundation by publicizing the Truman Scholarship Program on campus, soliciting recommendations of potential nominees from members of the faculty, and insuring that the institution's nomination is properly forwarded to the Foundation by the required deadline. The effectiveness of the Faculty Representative is vital to the success of the Truman Scholarship Program.

The original § 1801.12 sought to define the universe of higher education institutions that were eligible to participate in the Truman Scholarship Program—particularly institutions that have more than one campus—on the basis of classifications originally developed by the Federal Interagency Committee on Edu-

cation (FICE). During the course of the 1977 competition it became clear that trying to define the universe of higher education institutions in terms of whether each institution or component has been assigned an identification number (the FICE code) by the Federal Interagency Committee on Education was not feasible. In fact, it resulted in the inclusion in some cases of institutions that were not otherwise eligible under the Foundation's enabling legislation, such as institutions that are organized as profit making. Accordingly, § 1801.12 was amended to define the universe in a manner consistent with the annual national census of colleges and universities, the Higher Education General Information Survey (HEGIS), conducted in cooperation with all institutions. This information is published by the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. This listing of the higher education universe is used by many other Federal agencies, including the Veterans Administration and the National Science Foundation. The new section excludes from eligibility those components of an institution that are organized solely for administrative purposes and have no students enrolled.

Another change corrects a typographical error in the Code of Federal Regulations which identified the heading for § 1801.17 as 1087.17.

New § 1801.17(c) (1) requires as supporting documentation to each nomination an essay of 600 words or less, written by the student, that discusses a particular public policy issue of interest to the student. The purpose of this requirement is to provide to those reviewing each nomination some indication of the nominee's interest in matters of public policy, the depth of the candidate's understanding of complex issues, and the student analytical capabilities. Conforming changes were made by (1) moving former § 1801.17(c) (1)—with some slight editorial changes in language—and redesignating it as § 1801.17(b) (6), and (2) renumbering paragraph (b) (6) as paragraph (b) (7).

The purpose of new § 1801.23(c) was to recognize that an important part of the interview by the Regional Review Panel is the panel's assessment of each semi-finalist's potential for leadership in government. A conforming change was required in § 1801.23(b).

Revised § 1801.50 gives more information on the structure of the program—as approved by the Foundation's Board of Trustees—as one for a period not to exceed a total of four academic years, beginning at the junior level, continuing into the senior year and extending for not more than two academic years of graduate study, in accordance with the regulations established by the Foundation's Board of Trustees and subject to an annual review by the Foundation.

It is the intent of the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation to issue further amendments to these regulations as additional experience is gained in the operation of the Truman Scholarship Program.

Effective date: These regulations are adopted effective October 1, 1976, and amended effective August 1, 1977.

Dated: July 22, 1977.

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Executive Secretary, Harry S.  
Truman Scholarship Foundation.

Title 45 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended by establishing a new Chapter XVIII to read as set forth above and adding a new Part 1801, to read as follows:

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**Subpart A—General**

**§ 1801.1 Annual Truman Scholarship competition.**

Each year, the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation carries out a Nationwide competition to select students to be Truman Scholars.

**§ 1801.2 Truman Scholars are selected from each State.**

(a) At least one Truman Scholar is selected each year from each State in

which there is a resident applicant who meets the eligibility criteria in § 1801.3. (b) As used in this part, "State" means each of the States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and considered as a single entity: Guam, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

**§ 1801.3 Students eligible for nomination.**

A student is eligible to be nominated as a Truman Scholar if he or she:

(a) Is a matriculated student pursuing a degree at an institution of higher education during the year in which nominated;

(b) Will be a junior pursuing a bachelor's degree as a full-time student at an institution of higher education the following academic year;

(c) Has an undergraduate field of study that permits admission to a graduate program leading to a career in public service;

(d) Has an undergraduate average of at least "B" or its equivalent and ranks in the upper fourth of his or her class; and

(e) Is a national of the United States, or is in the United States for other than a temporary purpose and intends to become a permanent resident, or is a permanent resident of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

**§ 1801.4 Definitions.**

As used in this part: "Academic year" means the period of time, typically 8 or 9 months, in which a full-time student would normally complete two semesters, two trimesters, three quarters, or the equivalent.

"Foundation" means the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation.

"Full-time student" means a student who is carrying a sufficient number of credit hours or their equivalent to secure the degree or certificate toward which he or she is working, in no more than the length of time normally taken at the institution of higher education.

"Institution of higher education" has the meaning given in section 1201(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1141(a)).

"Junior" means a student who has received credit for more than one-half of the coursework required to complete the second year of college, but not more than one-half of the coursework required to complete the third year of college.

"President" means the principal official responsible for the overall direction of the operations of an institution of higher education.

"Public service" means a career at any level or in any function of government.

"Resident" means a person who has legal residence in the State, recognized under State law. If a question arises concerning the State of residence, the Foundation determines, for the purposes of this program, of which State the person is a resident, taking into account parents' place of residence, eligibility for "in-State" tuition rates at public institutions

of higher education, and place of registration to vote.

"Sophomore" means the academic level recognized by the institution of higher education as having second year standing.

**Subpart B—Nomination**

**§ 1801.10 Nomination by institution of higher education.**

To be considered in the competition, a student must be nominated by the institution of higher education that he or she attends.

**§ 1801.11 Annual nomination.**

(a) Except as provided in §§ 1801.12 and 1081.13, each institution of higher education may nominate one student annually.

(b) The nomination must be made by the President of the institution or the designated Faculty Representative, after the President asks for and considers recommendations by the faculty.

**§ 1801.12 Institutions with more than one campus.**

If an institution of higher education has more than one component separately listed in the current edition of the publication Education Directory: Colleges and Universities (published by the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare), each component of the institution may nominate one student. However, a component that is organized solely for administrative purposes and has no students enrolled may not nominate a student.

**§ 1801.13 Two-year institutions.**

If an institution of higher education does not offer education beyond the sophomore level, the institution may nominate only a student who will be a junior the following year at another institution of higher education.

**§ 1801.14 Submission of application to the Foundation.**

To nominate a student for the competition, the institution of higher education must send the student's application to the Foundation.

**§ 1801.15 Faculty representative.**

(a) Each institution which nominates a student or which has a Truman Scholar in attendance must give the Foundation the name, business address, and business telephone number of a member of the faculty who will serve as liaison between the institution and the Foundation.

(b) It is the role of this Faculty Representative to publicize the Truman Scholarship Program on campus, solicit recommendations of potential nominees from members of the faculty, and insure that the institution's nomination, with all required supporting documents, is forwarded to the Foundation by the required deadline.

**§ 1801.16 Closing date for receipt of nominations.**

The Foundation publishes an annual notice in the FEDERAL REGISTER of the

date by which institutions of higher education must submit their nominations and all supporting documents in order to be guaranteed consideration by the Foundation.

**§ 1801.17 Contents application.**

(a) The Foundation provides a form that must be used as the application.

(b) Each application must include the following:

(1) A statement that the student is an applicant for a Truman Scholarship;

(2) A statement that the student plans to pursue a career in public service;

(3) A list of the student's public service activities, such as those associated with government agencies, community groups, political campaigns, and charities;

(4) A list of leadership positions the student has held during high school and during the first two years of undergraduate school;

(5) A statement that the student is willing to participate in an internship or seminar sponsored by the Foundation; and

(6) A statement of interest in a career in government, written by the student, that shows in some detail how the student's academic program and overall educational plans will prepare him or her for that chosen career;

(7) Examination papers of the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Qualifying Test completed by the student as provided under § 1801.18.

(c) In support of each nomination the following documents must also be submitted:

(1) An essay of 600 words or less written by the student that analyzes a particular public policy issue of interest to the student.

(2) Transcripts of the student's high school and undergraduate scholastic record; and

(3) Three letters of recommendation. One of these letters must be written by a faculty member in the student's field of study, and one must be written by another person who can speak to the student's potential for a career in public service.

**§ 1801.18 Harry S. Truman Scholarship Qualifying Test.**

(a) The Foundation provides the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Qualifying Test to each institution which nominates a student.

(b) The institution must administer the test in accordance with the instructions that accompany the test.

**Subpart C—The Competition**

**§ 1801.20 Selection of semi-finalists.**

The Foundation selects semi-finalists from the students who are nominated.

**§ 1801.21 Evaluation criteria.**

(a) The Foundation first selects the students from each State who receive the highest scores on the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Qualifying Test.

(b) The Foundation then selects semi-finalists from the students selected under paragraph (a) of this section on the basis of the following criteria:

(1) The extent to which the student has shown an outstanding potential for leadership in the public service; and

(2) The student's academic performance.

(c) The Foundation evaluates each student solely on the basis of the information required under § 1801.17.

**§ 1801.22 Interview of student with regional review panel.**

The Foundation invites each semi-finalist to an interview with a Regional Review Panel.

**§ 1801.23 Recommendation by panel.**

(a) Each Regional Review Panel recommends two finalists from each State to the Foundation.

(b) The two finalists must be recommended by the Panel in the order of their qualification to be a Truman Scholar.

(c) The recommendations are based on the material required under Section 1801.17 and, as determined in the interview, the panel's assessment of each semifinalist's potential for leadership in government.

**§ 1801.24 Further recommendations or nominations.**

(a) The Foundation may ask a Regional Review Panel to submit the names of additional finalists for consideration, or may ask institutions of higher education to submit additional nominations.

(b) If additional nominations are made under paragraph (a) of this section, the applications must meet the requirements of Subpart B of this part, and are considered under the procedures of this subpart.

**§ 1801.25 Selection of Truman Scholars by the Foundation.**

(a) The Foundation names Truman Scholars after receiving recommendations from the Regional Review Panels.

(b) The Foundation also names an alternate for each Truman Scholar. The alternate receives the scholarship if:

(1) The person named as a Truman Scholar is not able to begin studies at the start of the following academic year, and

(2) Payments are not postponed under § 1801.44.

**Subpart D—Amount of Payments to Students**

**§ 1801.30 Travel expenses of semi-finalists.**

(a) Each semi-finalist may receive reimbursement for the actual and necessary expenses of round trip transportation to the location of the Regional Review Panel.

(b) The Foundation uses the Federal Travel Regulations (referenced in 41 CFR 101-7.003) as a guide to determine the amount of the reimbursement.

(c) The foundation informs semi-finalists of the procedures for obtaining this reimbursement.

**§ 1801.31 Scholarship awards.**

Each Truman Scholar receives annually \$5000 or the cost of tuition, fees, books, and room and board, whichever is less.

**§ 1801.32 Definition of "fee".**

As used in this part, "fee" means a typical and usual non-refundable charge by the institution of higher education for a service, a privilege, or the use of property.

**§ 1801.33 Allowance for books.**

The cost allowed for a student's books is \$180 per year.

**§ 1801.34 Allowance for room and board.**

The cost allowed for a student's room and board is the amount the institution of higher education reports to the College Scholarship Service as the average cost of room and board for the student's institution, given the type of housing the student occupies.

**§ 1801.35 Deduction for benefits from other sources.**

(a) The cost allowed for a student's tuition, fees, books, and room and board must be reduced to the extent that the cost is paid for by another organization.

(b) This section does not apply to benefits the student receives from the Veterans Administration.

**Subpart E—Payment Conditions and Procedures**

**§ 1801.40 Acceptance of the scholarship.**

To receive any payment, a Truman Scholar must sign an acceptance of the scholarship and submit it to the Foundation.

**§ 1801.41 Report at the beginning of each term.**

The Truman Scholar must submit the following material to the Foundation at the beginning of each term:

(a) A statement of the student's costs for tuition, fees, books, and room and board.

(b) A certification by an authorized official of the institution that the statement of those costs is accurate.

(c) A certification of the amounts of those costs that are paid for by another organization.

(d) A certification by an authorized official of the institution that the Truman Scholar:

(1) Is a full-time student and is taking a course of study, training, or other educational activities to prepare for a career in public service; and

(2) Is not engaged in gainful employment that interferes with the Scholar's studies.

(e) A certification by an authorized official of the institution of whether the Truman Scholar is in academic good standing.

(f) A certification by an authorized official of the institution that the institution makes continuing efforts to encourage the Truman Scholar to enter public service after completing his or her educational program.

**§ 1801.42 Definition of "term".**

As used in this part, "term" means the period which the institution of higher education uses to divide its academic year: Semester, trimester, or quarter.

**§ 1801.43 Payment schedule.**

The Foundation will pay the Truman Scholar a portion of the award after each report submitted under § 1801.41.

**§ 1801.44 Postponement of payment.**

(a) A Truman Scholar may request the Foundation to postpone one or more payments because of sickness or other circumstances.

(b) If the Foundation grants a postponement, it may impose such conditions as it decides are necessary.

**Subpart F—Duration of Scholarship**

**§ 1801.50 Renewal of scholarship.**

It is the intent of the Foundation to renew scholarship awards for a period not to exceed a total or four academic years (consisting of the junior year, the senior year, and up to two academic years of graduate study), only in accordance with the regulations established by its Board of Trustees, and subject to an annual review for compliance with these requirements in this part.

**§ 1801.51 Termination of scholarship.**

(a) The Foundation may terminate a scholarship under the following specific conditions:

(1) If the Truman Scholar does not meet the criteria in § 1801.41(e) for two consecutive terms, or

(2) If the Truman Scholar does not meet the criteria in § 1801.41(d) or § 1801.3(e).

(b) Before it terminates a scholarship under these conditions the Foundation gives the student notice and an opportunity to be heard with respect to the grounds for termination.

**§ 1801.52 Recovery of scholarship funds.**

If a scholarship is terminated or if the student resigns a scholarship, all scholarship funds which have not been spent or which the student may recover must be returned to the Foundation.

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