



SEELOS GRANT FOR IGNATIAN LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Thanks to funding from the *Blessed Francis X. Seelos, C.Ss.R, Fund*, Alpha Sigma Nu announces the Seelos Grant, founded to promote Ignatian-inspired student leadership at our Chapters, in our communities, and out in the world. The Seelos grants remove the financial barriers to student ΑΣΝ members who wish to participate in Ignatian inspired leadership programs.

The Seelos grants provide funding for student members to attend Ignatian leadership conferences, social justice conferences, and other Ignatian leadership training opportunities, with the intention that they enhance their skills as Chapter and campus leaders, change-makers and Jesuit collaborators. Student members can apply for a grant of up to \$1,000 to cover costs of programs in line with the mission of ΑΣΝ:

Alpha Sigma Nu, the honor society of Jesuit institutions of higher education, recognizes those students who distinguish themselves in scholarship, loyalty and service. The only honor society permitted to bear the name Jesuit, ΑΣΝ encourages its members to a lifetime pursuit of intellectual development, deepening Ignatian spirituality, service to others, and a commitment to the core principles of Jesuit education.

Specifically, the 2018 grants will fund attendance at the following:

University Leaders' Summit: Brings together students from Jesuit and other Catholic universities who are passionate about driving change for more socially just local and global communities. The program provides formation in the areas of leadership, social justice, and Ignatian spirituality.

National Jesuit Student Leadership Conference: Gathers student leaders from various Jesuit schools and universities together to examine current student issues and explore ways to address them, strengthen leadership skills, and discover how to better serve their colleges and universities in the Jesuit tradition.

Ignatian Family Teach-in for Justice: Annual gathering for members of the Ignatian family- Jesuit Institutions and larger church- to come together in the context of social justice and solidarity to learn, reflect, pray, network, and advocate together.

Eligibility

A student receiving a Seelos grant shall be an Alpha Sigma Nu member in good academic and disciplinary standing with the university and enrolled full-time for the academic year 2018-19.

Expectations

Alpha Sigma Nu, along with the *Blessed Francis X. Seelos, C.Ss.R, Fund*, founded these grants to increase our members' Ignatian leadership skills, to have those trained students contribute to the these skills to their Chapter, and to extend these skills and their experience beyond graduation in service to others. Networking, brainstorming, and planning with other AΣN delegates is not only expected, but a benefit of attendance with this grant.

Your university's delegation

Grantees will contact your university's student development/leadership/student government to alert them to your attendance at a conference. You may be able to participate in their delegation's activities and meetings.

Follow up Expectations

We require grant recipients to submit key conference takeaways to the AΣN Central Office, their Chapter Faculty Adviser, and Chapter officers. A short essay on how the training and skills gained will be utilized in the next academic year will be submitted to the office post-attendance.

Application

The application for the Seelos Grant can be found on pages 3 and 4 of this document. Please scan and email the completed application to Kate Gaertner, AΣN Executive Director, at kate.gaertner@marquette.edu. Because funding is limited, we encourage early application as we may not be able to fund all requests. The Seelos grant is funded annually with a limited gift to AΣN, therefore we are able to award a limited number of grants.

The application period for the **University Leaders' Summit and the National Jesuit Student Leadership Conference is April 17 - June 1, 2018**. The application period for the **Ignatian Family Teach-In Conference is September 1 - October 1, 2018**. **The Seelos Grants will be awarded on a rolling basis**. All applications are reviewed by the AΣN staff and two members of the Board of Directors.

The Grant and Conference Expenses

The Seelos Grant can be used to cover fees for registration, conference-related expenses, room and board, select meals, conference related transportation, supplies, and materials. The Seelos Grants can be used to fund conference related transportation up to \$350. See the application for instructions.

More information about Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos and the Seelos Shrine can be found at <http://www.seelos.org/lifeBiography.html>.



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Name _____ Date _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Chapter _____ Induction Date _____

What is your role in AΣN on your campus in 2018-19? _____

What program do you plan to attend?

- University Leader's Summit
- National Jesuit Student Leadership Conference
- Ignatian Family Teach-in for Justice

Date(s) of program: _____

Conference fee: _____ Room and board _____

Transportation costs (estimate) _____ Type of transportation _____

Other conference expenses (please detail) _____

Total grant request amount: _____

Please answer the following questions in 100 words or less:

1. What skills do you hope to gain by attending this program?
2. How can you use this experience and skills benefit your AΣN Chapter?
3. How will you share this experience with your Chapter (e.g. report, workshop, etc)?
4. What are your future plans?

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