

# JACK KENT COOKE

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## FOUNDATION

LANSDOWNE, VIRGINIA

November 2005

Dear Faculty Representative:

Your institution's president has appointed you to serve as the faculty representative for the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Graduate Scholarship Program. We greatly appreciate your willingness to fill this critical role. The enclosed forms will provide details on the program, applicant requirements, and your role and responsibilities.

Each accredited college or university in the US, regardless of the size or number of campuses, may nominate two (2) students or recent graduates for this scholarship. The deadline for receipt of materials is May 1, 2006.

In July 2006, the Foundation will award 65 scholarships to outstanding students beginning their first graduate or professional degree in fall 2006. The process is highly competitive, with over 1,200 candidates annually. Each scholarship will cover a portion of educational costs, including tuition, living expenses, books, and other required fees for a maximum of six years. The amount and duration of awards vary by student, depending on the total cost of attendance and other scholarships or grants received. The maximum amount available for each Scholar is \$50,000 per year. Scholars may pursue any graduate or professional degree at any accredited college or university.

Information and Materials on the Foundation's Website ([www.jackkentcookefoundation.org](http://www.jackkentcookefoundation.org))

- Students will find contact information for faculty representatives and downloadable application materials and nominee guidelines.
- Faculty representatives have their own section on the Foundation's website. To access the section, click on the red "login" link on the homepage, then input the word **faculty** as the Login ID and the word **scholarship** as the Password. Here you will find the nomination form, faculty representative guidelines, information on the nomination and selection processes, a survey, and promotional materials. Do not share these access codes with your students or others. These documents are meant for faculty representative use only.
- Please be sure your email address is listed correctly on the faculty representatives list. All further communication during this selection cycle will take place via email.

If you or your students have questions, please call 1-800-498-6478 or email [jkc-g@act.org](mailto:jkc-g@act.org).

Thanks to your work promoting this opportunity to your students and identifying excellent nominees, the Foundation will be able to recognize another group of outstanding students in 2006 with some of the largest and most competitive scholarships in the country.

Sincerely,



Matthew J. Quinn  
Executive Director

Enclosures

### Institution Nomination Form

#### ► INSTRUCTIONS

**Complete and Sign Nomination Form**—The faculty representative must complete and sign a nomination form for each nominee. The Foundation will only consider applications submitted with a nomination form that is signed by the appointed faculty representative. Applications submitted without this form are incomplete and will not be considered.

**Two Nominees**—Each institution, regardless of size or the number of campuses, may present **up to two** nominees.

#### ► NOMINATION—Please type or print.

Nominee Name	Last	First	MI
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#### ► ELIGIBILITY

I certify that the nominee meets the eligibility criteria (please initial) \_\_\_\_\_

- The nominee is a college senior (since December 31, 2005) at my institution OR a recent graduate (since May 2001) of my institution who has not already started graduate school.  Yes
- The nominee has a cumulative college grade point average of 3.50 or better on a 4.0 scale (or the equivalent). (The cumulative grade point average should be an average of all college-level courses at all institutions attended.)  Yes
- The nominee has been accepted to a graduate or professional degree program at an accredited college or university beginning in fall 2006.  Yes

Note: You may nominate candidates who, as of the deadline, are waitlisted or are waiting to hear from schools that announce acceptances after the Foundation's deadlines. Attach an explanation of the logistics and timeline, as well as your comments on the applicant's chances of acceptance. (Send the acceptance letter and financial award information as soon as possible.)

- My institution is a licensed and accredited college or university in the U.S.  Yes
- This would be the first graduate degree for my candidate  Yes

#### ► NOMINATING INSTITUTION

Number of nominees from this institution (2 nominees allowed)

Nominating Institution

Address

City State Zip

Designated faculty representative

Phone ( ) Email

Faculty representative's signature (required)

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
November 1, 2005

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**Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Opens  
National Graduate Scholarship Competition**

*Nominees may include \_\_\_\_\_ students and recent alumni with financial need*  
*Name of Faculty Rep's Institution*

LANSDOWNE, VA - The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation is now accepting nominations for its Graduate Scholarship Program, one of the largest and most competitive scholarship programs in the country. College seniors at more than 2,000 accredited institutions in America, and alumni who have graduated from those institutions since May 2001, may compete for the scholarships, which can total as much as \$50,000 per year for up to six years.

The Foundation will award the graduate scholarships in early summer 2006 for use during the 2006-2007 academic year, and will renew each award in subsequent years based on performance. Last year, the Foundation awarded 77 of these scholarships. A panel of national experts will assist the Foundation in selecting scholars. Candidates for the scholarship must be nominated by the faculty representative at their undergraduate institution. The list of faculty representatives and application materials are available on the Foundation's website, [www.jackkentcookefoundation.org](http://www.jackkentcookefoundation.org), or by calling 1-800-498-6478.

The Foundation began awarding graduate scholarships in 2001. The Foundation has received approximately 1,000 applications for these scholarships each year, and awarded 209 recipients scholarships worth \$29.9 million.

About the Foundation

The Foundation is a private, independent foundation established in 2000 by the estate of Jack Kent Cooke to help young people of exceptional promise reach their full potential through education. It focuses in particular on individuals with financial need. In addition to the Graduate Scholarship Program, the Foundation offers full scholarships to outstanding students with financial need who are transferring from two-year institutions to four-year institutions to pursue a bachelor's degree, scholarships to help high-achieving youth develop their talents and abilities throughout high school, and grants programs in areas directly related to its mission.

**For additional information, contact the Division of Graduate Studies office at 203 837-8244**