The Susan and Steven Beebe Debate Scholarship is available through the University of Central Missouri Foundation for a student involved in the forensics program and pursuing a major or minor within the Department of Communication. This scholarship is made possible by way of a gift from Steven A. and Susan J. Beebe of San Marcos, Texas. Steven graduated from UCM in 1972 and Susan graduated in 1973.

SCHOLARSHIP BACKGROUND:

Alumni of Central’s Department of Communication, Susan and Steven Beebe met when both joined the forensic squad in the fall of 1970. They were assigned as debate partners for the 1971-72 school year. After Susan completed her B.S.E. in Communication and Steven his B.S.E. and M.A. in Communication, the two married and moved to Columbia, Missouri. Steven completed a Ph.D. in Communication in 1976 at MU, while Susan taught debate and drama at Moberly High School.

Both currently on the faculty of Texas State University-San Marcos, Susan and Steven are co-authors of three leading textbooks in communication studies, including *Public Speaking: An Audience-Centered Approach*, a book they talked about writing together while they were debate partners at Central. They credit much of their professional success to their experiences and training as Central debaters and to the outstanding Central faculty members who taught them. Specifically, they acknowledge their debate coaches Dr. Robert Brewer and Ms. Sheryl Etling; current faculty members Dr. James Floyd and Dr. Joe Mazza; and long-time friend, colleague, and legendary Chair of Central’s Department of Communication, Dr. Dan Curtis. The Beebes have established the Susan and Steven Beebe Debate Scholarship to offer support to future Central Communication majors involved in forensics.

CRITERIA:

To apply, a student must:

a. be a full-time undergraduate or graduate student in good academic standing at UCM;
b. be pursuing a major or minor within the Department of Communication;
c. be involved in the forensics program at UCM;
d. have a minimum overall cumulative GPA of 3.0.
SELECTION PROCESS:

1. The recipient(s) of the Susan and Steven Beebe Debate Scholarship will be recommended by a selection committee designated by the Chair of the Department of Communication and shall include a faculty member(s) within the Forensics Program. Undergraduate recipient(s) shall be approved by the UCM Scholarships and Awards Officer. Graduate recipient(s) shall be approved by the Dean of the Graduate School.

2. The application must be delivered or postmarked by March 1. Recipient(s) shall be announced by May 15 of any given year.

3. The Selection Committee, with the approval of the Executive Director of the Foundation, will annually establish the number and award amount. In a given year, the Selection Committee may exercise the option of making no selection.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

Applications must be delivered / postmarked by March 1 to:

Department of Communication
Attn: Susan and Steven Beebe Debate Scholarship
University of Central Missouri
Martin 136
Warrensburg, MO  64093
Application for the
SUSAN AND STEVEN BEEBE DEBATE SCHOLARSHIP

1. Name _______________________________________ UCM student ID# ________________________

2. Permanent address ____________________________________________ street
   _____________________________________________________________________________________
   _____________________________________________________________________________________
   _____________________________________________________________________________________
   city                                                   state                          zip code                                                county

3. Home phone (      ) _____________ Cell phone (      ) ______________ Campus phone ______________

4. Campus address ___________________________________________ E-mail _______________________________

5. Major _______________________________________ Minor __________________________________

6. Cumulative GPA _______________________________________ GPA in major ___________________________

7. Estimated date of graduation/degree completion ________________________________
   month                                                   year

8. Attach a list of campus and community organizations to which you belong. Be sure to list leadership roles when applicable.

9. Attach a brief statement of your professional goals as they relate to this scholarship. Be sure to include your plans and aspirations for the future.

10. Attach a current transcript. An unofficial transcript may be printed (free of charge) from the student portal at https://www.ucmo.edu/portal.

REFERENCES:

1. Name _______________________________________ Relationship ______________________________
   Phone Number ___________________________________ E-mail _________________________________

2. Name _______________________________________ Relationship ______________________________
   Phone Number ___________________________________ E-mail _________________________________

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-- Keep information pages of this scholarship application for your reference --
UNDERSTANDING OF ACCEPTANCE: If I am selected as a recipient of this scholarship, I understand
that I must meet the criteria as outlined in this application at the beginning of the semester in which the
scholarship is to be applied to my student account. If my status should change before/during the academic
year, I understand that I must notify the Department to which this application has been submitted. I further
understand that a change in my status may affect my eligibility and the application of the scholarship to my
student account.

__________________________________________________ _________________________________
Signature             Date

Applications must be delivered / postmarked by March 1 to:
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