The Kathleen Ranson Scholarship in Reading is offered through the University of Central Missouri Foundation for a graduate student pursuing a degree in literacy education. This scholarship is available for students in the graduate literacy program (formerly the reading program). This scholarship is made possible by way of a gift from Dr. M. Kathleen Ranson, Professor Emeritus of Reading, of Warrensburg, Missouri.

BACKGROUND:
The Kathleen Ranson Scholarship in Reading was established in 1989 by Dr. Ranson, Professor Emeritus of Reading, in honor of her retirement from the University of Central Missouri.

CRITERIA:
To apply, a student must:

a. be pursuing a graduate degree in literacy education;
b. have received or will receive an undergraduate degree from UCM by June 1;
c. have completed a minimum of 60 semester hours of undergraduate credit at UCM;
d. be admitted to the Graduate School at UCM;
e. have a record of high scholastic achievement while an undergraduate student at UCM;
f. have demonstrated outstanding leadership abilities in campus activities while an undergraduate student at UCM;
g. possess high standards of character as evidenced by the statements of applicant’s peers, employers, and instructors.

* If the applicant has begun graduate study prior to the application deadline of March 1, the student must have a minimum of 16 semester hours of graduate credit remaining in the graduate program and must have cumulated a minimum grade point average of 3.75 on all study completed.

SELECTION PROCESS:
1. The recipient(s) of the Kathleen Ranson Scholarship in Reading will be recommended by a selection committee designated by the Chair, Department of Curriculum and Instruction. 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 donor and the Executive Director of the Foundation, will annually establish the number and award amount. If adequate funding is not available, the Selection Committee may exercise the option of making no selection.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Applications must be delivered / postmarked by March 1 to:

UCM Department of Curriculum and Instruction
Attn: Kathleen Ranson Scholarship in Reading
Lovinger 3300
Warrensburg, Missouri 64093
Application for the
KATHLEEN RANSON SCHOLARSHIP IN READING

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. Are you admitted to the Graduate School at UCM?   __________ Yes   __________ No
   If yes, date you were admitted ______________________________________________________

6. Graduate Degree you are pursuing __________________________________________________

7. Cumulative GPA in all courses completed _____________________________________________

8. Estimated date of graduation/degree completion _______________________________ month
   ___________________________ year

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

10. 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.

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

REFERENCES: One reference should be a UCM faculty or staff member and the other should be from a
person not associated with UCM.

   1. Name ___________________________________ Relationship _____________________________
      Phone Number ___________________________ E-mail ___________________________

   2. Name ___________________________________ Relationship _____________________________
      Phone Number ___________________________ E-mail ___________________________
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

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