



MERTIE W. BUCKMAN FELLOWSHIP FOR LEADERSHIP IN PHILANTHROPY 2008-2009
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Buckman Fellowship for Leadership in Philanthropy is a unique opportunity for College of Human Ecology (CHE) faculty, staff, graduate students, and alumni to learn about the world of philanthropy and fundraising. While the College of Human Ecology formally closed on June 30, 2006, the Buckman Fellowship will continue for faculty, staff, graduate students, and alumni of the four academic units: Design, Housing and Apparel; Family Social Science; Food Science and Nutrition; and the School of Social Work. Buckman Fellows are chosen on the basis of their commitment to a specific philanthropy project and awarded a \$1,000 stipend to develop their chosen project. They participate in a ten-month series of seminars with university and community experts on fundraising.

HUMAN ECOLOGY'S CORE VALUES

Human Ecology is people and their relationship with the world throughout the lifespan. Buckman fellows reflect the core values of human ecology in their philanthropic projects, and they are committed to these values:

- A belief in the interconnectedness of people and their environments
- A commitment to diversity and inclusivity in its many forms
- An understanding that development occurs throughout the lifespan
- Social responsibility

The fellowship is made possible by the Mertie W. Buckman Endowed Fund for Leadership in Philanthropy, established in 2002. Mrs. Buckman, a dedicated philanthropist and faculty member in the College of Human Ecology, focused her life and work on philanthropy and education, echoing the core values outlined above. Her generous gift has provided opportunities for fellows to become experts and leaders in philanthropy and will continue to do so for years to come.

FELLOW SELECTION CRITERIA

- Buckman fellows are CHE faculty and staff, emerging professional CHE alumni leaders, and CHE graduate students who are interested in developing their leadership skills related to philanthropy, entrepreneurship, and business citizenship.
- Buckman fellows are expected to have a proposed philanthropy initiative when they apply. This project should reflect the mission and values of the College of Human Ecology.
- The fellowship program is experiential in that what is learned through the monthly forums and outside educational opportunities is applied directly to a current project the fellow is implementing.

FELLOWS ARE EXPECTED TO:

- Attend each monthly Buckman Forum from September through June.
- Participate in at least three activities related to philanthropy and leadership, at the University or in the community.
- Develop a philanthropy plan for their project and make significant progress in realizing its implementation.
- Contribute to a collegial atmosphere, engaging in helpful exchange with colleagues in the program.
- Present a mid-year progress report on their philanthropic plan and a final report in June 2009.
- Complete additional assignments as required.

SELECTION PROCESS/DEADLINES

- Applications are available on the Buckman website <http://www.che.umn.edu/donors/buckman.html> or by contacting Marilyn DeLong at 612.62d.1219 or mdelong@umn.edu
- The deadline to submit applications for the 2008-09 program year is **April 8, 2008 at 4:30pm**. Applications can be emailed to mdelong@umn.edu or mailed to

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- The Buckman Advisory Board will rank applicants based on the criteria listed above and select up to 10 fellows for the program.
- All applicants will be notified of the Advisory Board's decisions in writing by May 13, 2008.
- 2008-2009 Buckman Fellows will be invited to the previous cohorts' end of year celebration in June 2008.



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APPLICATION

Please check: Faculty Staff Department & Position: _____

Alumni Graduate student Major & Year: _____

Name _____

Department or Employer _____

Title _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Office Phone _____

Email _____ Fax _____

Please attach responses on a separate page.

1. What is your interest in leadership in philanthropy that makes you want to become a Buckman Fellow?
2. Buckman fellows are committed to the core values of human ecology. How does your proposed project reflect those values?
3. Please describe your proposed project.
4. A brief current resume or vitae (2-3 pages) is also required along with this application. Please submit it along with your application.

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