

ESSAYS TO ACCOMPANY THE OBUCHI SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Provide your essay responses on separate sheets of paper. Note the essay number at the top of each essay. If you type your essay, we suggest an 11 or 12 size font, single or double spaced (your discretion).

- 1) Write an essay in which you discuss your long-range goals and objectives in pursuing your degree, stating their relevance for the East-West Center and its programs of international research and community building. (Maximum length: five pages)

- 2) Write a brief biographical essay in which you discuss your background including community service or civic engagement activities, and reasons for pursuing graduate study. (Maximum length for the essay: two pages)

Note: Include a copy of your resume or curriculum vitae.

- 3) Your participation in EWC activities will be alongside students from the U.S., Asia and the Pacific region. Please comment on your preparedness for this inter-cultural learning environment. (Maximum length: two pages)

- 4) As part of the scholarship, students complete an East-West Center academic requirement. This may involve completion of one of the following interdisciplinary graduate certificates: Leadership, International Cultural Studies, Global Health and Population Studies, Conflict Resolution, or Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance; or invited involvement in an East-West Center research project. If you would be interested in being involved in research with an EWC project, please list the research area you would be interested in and discuss why you selected this area. If your preference is for a certificate program, indicate your interest. Refer to the East-West Center Research Programs website for current research themes and projects: EastWestCenter.org/research. (Maximum length: one page)

- 5) Recipients of the Obuchi Student Scholarship are expected to return to Okinawa and contribute in a positive way to the future of the community. Please describe your vision of how you will contribute to Okinawa society in the future if you are selected for an Obuchi Scholarship.