

2024-25 KINDER INSTITUTE DEMOCRACY LAB SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Kinder Institute is excited to offer KIDL participants the opportunity to apply for one of three scholarships: the need-based Morgan Scholarship, merit-based Atterbury Scholarship, or general Kinder Scholarship. Applying is a simple, three-step process that runs through Mizzou's central Scholarship Universe platform (note: completing one application makes you eligible for all three scholarships).

Step 1. Set up a profile on Scholarship Universe (tips for doing that can be found on the MU Office of Financial Aid website) and identify the KIDL scholarships using "Kinder Institute" as a search term.

Step 2. To be matched with the scholarship, you will first need to answer "Yes" to the question regarding having selected/intending to select Kinder Institute Democracy Lab on Slate's admissions preference form AND/OR answer "Constitutional Democracy" to the question regarding your intended major. At this stage, students will also be prompted to indicate interest in a possible residential component of the program.

Step 3. Upload the separate application components—the academic CV and essay responses detailed below—as a single PDF through Scholarship Universe.

I. *Academic CV:* Provide a record of your high school accomplishments, making sure, at a minimum, to include GPA; ACT and/or SAT scores; AP, IB, and/or dual-credit classes taken; awards received; clubs participated in; and work and/or volunteer experience.

II. *Essay Questions:* Please respond to **both** of the following questions in 300-500 words **each**

- What does civic education mean to you and what are the obstacles that it faces in the 21st century?
- Of the Constitutional Democracy BA's four concentration areas—U.S. and the World, Politics and Policy, Law and Institutions, and Social and Political Thought—which would you choose and why?

ELIGIBILITY and TERMS

—Acceptance into MU's Honors College is a pre-requisite for receiving an Atterbury Scholarship and demonstrated financial need, as determined by MU's Office of Financial Aid, is a pre-requisite for receiving a Morgan Scholarship. Students who fall into neither category are still eligible for a Kinder Scholarship.

—Scholarships will be disbursed in two, equal installments prior to the beginning of the Fall 2024 and Spring 2025 semesters. Recipients must be enrolled in the core seminars* associated with the Democracy Lab, as well as the one-credit hour, KIDL-specific classes in the fall and spring, to receive their scholarships.

*The core seminars are GN_HON 2245H: Revolutions (Fall) and GN_HON 2246H: Constitutions (Spring) for Honors students. For non-Honors students, the core seminars are CNST_DEM 2450: Intellectual World of the American Founders (fall, cross-listed with Political Science) and CNST_DEM 2100: Revolutionary Transformation of Early America (spring, cross-listed with History).

Early KIDL Scholarship Deadline: December 1, 2023 (late-December notification)

Regular KIDL Scholarship Deadline: January 15, 2024 (early-February notification)

Any questions can be directed to Dr. Thomas Kane, KaneTC@missouri.edu

Since we anticipate FIGs filling up more quickly under the new system, we **strongly encourage** prospective students to complete the admissions preference form on Slate and submit a scholarship application by the December 1 deadline