

KAUFMAN AWARD APPLICATION 2023-2024

History/Purpose

Landmark Communications Inc. established the Kaufman Award to honor Charles L. Kaufman, a philanthropist and after whom Kaufman Hall, Old Dominion's Engineering building, was named. The prize will be awarded to a graduating senior "who has exerted an exceptional and constructive influence on the university, its students or the community by demonstrating the highest qualities of leadership and service."

Application Requirements

1. One-page resume
2. Letter of Support – A letter of support must be written by a faculty, staff, chaplain, or alumnus of the University. The person completing your letter of support must focus on why they feel you have exerted an exceptional and constructive influence on the university, its students or the community by demonstrating the highest qualities of leadership and service. The letter of support must contain the individual's contact information, their role, and the length of time they have known you.
3. Letter of Recommendation - Two letters of recommendation must be written by individuals inside or outside of the university who know the merits of your work or can cite examples of your character, leadership, and academic ability. Each letter must contain the individual's contact information, their relationship to you, and the length of time they have known you.
4. Applications must be typed (*all components*)
5. Total application submission may **not** exceed 15 pages. (This includes the application)
Deadline- All components of the application packet must be submitted to Kaufmanaward@odu.edu by **5 P.M. Friday, February 23, 2024**. Any material submitted after the **February 23rd** deadline will **not** be accepted.
6. If you need additional information or have questions, please contact Judy Luedtke at KaufmanAward@odu.edu.

Selection Procedure

1. The applicant package will be reviewed by the Kaufman Award screening committee consisting of representatives from the academic colleges and the campus community. The Kaufman Award Committee Coordinator will serve as a non-voting ex officio to the Award Screening Committee. The screening committee will conduct personal interviews and forward recommendations to President Brian O. Hemphill, Ph.D.
2. The screening committee will identify the finalists and then conduct personal interviews on Thursday, March 21, 2024, from 1- 5 P.M. **Please mark this date on your calendar.**

Name _____

Last First

School Address _____
Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

GPA _____ Advisor's Name _____

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Activity/Organization (Dates of Participation/ Membership)	Activity/ Office(s) Held (Year Held)	Awards, Recognition and/or Honors (Year Received)	Contact Person (Phone #)

Essay: Your attached essay must be 500 words or less. Based on your accomplishments outlined in this application, describe the following:

During your tenure at Old Dominion University what were the key experiences that have affected your development as a leader and how has your leadership influenced the university or larger community?

Most Inspiring Mentor: Please give the name of the faculty or staff member who has inspired you most during your years at Old Dominion University and briefly state your reason for selecting this person.

Name of Faculty/Staff Member: _____

Brief Statement:

A letter of support and two recommendation letters must be submitted. Please list the names of the individuals you have contacted to write letters on your behalf.

Type of Letter	Name	Phone	Position
Letter of Support	_____	_____	_____
Recommendation	_____	_____	_____
Recommendation	_____	_____	_____

The information requested below is for publicity purposes in the event that you are selected for Kaufman Honors.

Name of hometown newspaper _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Name of High School _____

City _____ State _____

Please list below the name(s) and address (es) of parents, guardians, or spouse.

Name(s) _____

Relationship to you _____

Address _____

Please list below the name(s), address (es) and phone numbers of the two people whom you would like to have at the University Student Awards and Honors Event tentatively scheduled for Thursday, May 2, 2024 (i.e., parents, spouse, etc.)

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Briefly state your post-graduation plans.

Will you participate in the University's Student Awards and Honors event tentatively scheduled: Thursday, May 2, 2024? Yes _____ No _____

Will you participate in the Commencement Event tentatively scheduled: May 3 & 4, 2024? Yes _____ No _____