

GUIDELINES FOR THE AWARD OF JAMES R. NATTINGER GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

The James Nattinger Scholarship Fund is established through the Portland State University Foundation to provide scholarship support for outstanding graduate students in the Department of Applied Linguistics. This Scholarship Fund has allowed us to create a graduate award in Professor James Nattinger's name.

During the 2025-2026 academic year, the Committee will award an annual cash stipend. This sum will be paid out in three equal amounts over fall, winter and spring term.

Applicants must be graduate students who are in good standing in the Applied Linguistics department, or who have recently applied for admittance to the MA TESOL program. The primary criteria for selection are academic excellence and potential scholarly and/or professional contributions to the discipline of linguistics, theoretical and applied. This award can also be received in addition to a GTA/GRA position.

James R. Nattinger was a Professor of Applied Linguistics and the first Chair when the department was established in 1988. A much admired and much respected teacher, Professor Nattinger died of AIDS in 1995. This fund is established to honor him and to support graduate students in a discipline he represented so well.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Steps to follow:

1. Fill out an application form (see attached).
2. Write a statement covering the following:
 - a. Specify your current goals for study in TESOL or linguistics, theoretical or applied. Explain why you feel that your course of study in our department will be helpful to you in achieving these goals.
 - b. Discuss a research or professional interest that the Nattinger scholarship would allow you to pursue. You do not need to have a specific project mind, but you should have an area of interest and identify one or more faculty members you might work with as a mentor.
 - c. Describe your future career goals in TESOL or applied linguistics and how you will remain an engaged scholar in the field.
3. Please submit two letters of recommendation from individuals who can speak to your academic, personal, or work achievements and your potential as a leader in the field. Ask your recommenders to send the recommendation directly to the department via email to linginfo@pdx.edu with your name and "Nattinger Recommendation" in the subject line.
4. Submit the application and statement to linginfo@pdx.edu using "Nattinger Endowed Scholarship Application Materials" as the subject line.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 30th, 2025

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: April 1st, 2025

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**APPLICATION FOR THE
JAMES R. NATTINGER GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP**

Name: _____ **ID:** _____

Address: _____
(number and street) (city) (state) (zip)

Phone: _____ (home)
_____ (work)

Email address: _____

DATE OF ADMISSION to the MA TESOL program in Applied Linguistics: _____ (Year)

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES ATTENDED:

Institution	City, State	Major	Degree	Dates

UNDERGRADUATE GPA: _____ **GRADUATE GPA** (if applicable): _____

YOU ARE ELIGIBLE to apply for this position if you have already been admitted to the program or are applying for admittance to the MA TESOL program in Fall of the academic year in which this position will start.

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____

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