

2017

Big XII Conference On Black Student Government

Cash Awards Packet



Established at the University of Missouri-Columbia 1977

**ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED VIA EMAIL 4:59P.M. CENTRAL
STANDARD TIME ON JANUARY 30, 2017**

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JANUARY 30, 2017

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

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**Big XII Council on Black Student Government
2017 Cash Awards Information**

The Awards Committee of the Big XII Conference on Black Student Government is pleased to accept applications for the following cash awards:

- Dyric Burt Big XII Outstanding Freshman of the Year
- Outstanding Big XII Sophomore of the Year
- Outstanding Big XII Junior of the Year
- Outstanding Big XII Senior of the Year
- Outstanding Non Big XII Freshman of the Year
- Outstanding Non Big XII Sophomore of the Year
- Outstanding Non Big XII Junior of the Year
- Robert Page, Jr. Award for Outstanding Non Big XII Senior of the Year
- Clarence Wine Outstanding Big XII Council of the Year
- Most Improved Big XII Council of the Year
- Robert Page, Jr. Award for Outstanding Non Big XII Council of the Year

Application Guidelines

- All applicants must fill out the awards application, **checking the appropriate award of interest.**
- Please use **one application per award.**
- The application form must be **completed and signed** by the appropriate persons.
- All questions and items required for each award **must be typed separately on 8 1/2" by 11" standard white paper. Only double-spaced, typed pages in MLA format will be accepted.**
- **Applications must be typed in Times New Roman 12 pt. font**
- The application form will serve as the cover sheet to your scholarship packet. **The form must be typed and include all appropriate hand-written signatures.**
- Please limit responses to each question to 1000 words or less.
- Applicants are **NOT to place their names on these essays. Please exclude any identifying items such as school name; mascot; membership organizations; job identification, etc.** Applicants are strongly encouraged to enclose as many supporting items as possible with each application.
- Only activities /programs sponsored or participated in or after **December 31, 2015** will be considered valid.
- **Failure to follow all instructions will result in disqualification.**

Application Instructions

All application materials must be: **Submitted via email to 2017bigxiiawards@gmail.com by 4:59p.m.(CST) on January 30, 2017.**

EARLY SUBMISSION IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED

- Completed application includes the **final application form with proper signatures, typewritten answers to questions, and supporting items (if necessary).**
- Completed, typed and signed application form should be the first page of the packet. **Incomplete, un-typed and unsigned forms will not be accepted.**
- **Official transcripts must besubmitted by mail to:**

Mrs. Brenda Burt, Faculty
The University of Texas at Austin
African and African Diaspora Studies Department
Gordon & White Building, Room 3.200J
210 W. 24th Street, STOP 3400, Austin, TX 78712

- **Transcripts must be postmarked by January 30, 2017**

All questions may be emailed to Mrs. Burt: princekwame@austin.utexas.edu.

Or call 512-475-7971

Selection Process

A Selection Committee consisting of members from the Awards Committee of the Big XII Council, and an advisor conducts the selection process. The committee will review the applications, determine eligibility, and make final recommendations to the executive board for review.

Criteria for Eligibility

To obtain a student scholarship, the applicant must:

- Be **enrolled or will be enrolled in the coming semester as a full-time undergraduate (12 hours) at a college or university.**
- Be in good academic standing with a **minimum GPA of 2.5.**
- Be able to **prove membership** in a Black Student Government or affiliated organization.
- Write a **short essay** (500 words or less) addressing commitment to education and service including the following:
 - Discuss why you selected your college major and your educational goals.
 - Personal history such as extracurricular activities, financial need and any awards received may be included.
 - Explain any future plans to continue your education, including your professional plans upon graduation.

Please type the essay on a separate sheet of paper and do not type applicant's name or any identifying words (ex: name of institution) on the essay.

- **Official transcript** in sealed envelope
(1 will suffice if applying for multiple awards, reference on application)
- Conference attendance is mandatory.
- Resume demonstrating commitment to education & service

Big XII Council on Black Student Government 2017 Council Awards Information

CLARENCE WINE OUTSTANDING BIG XII COUNCIL OF THE YEAR

This award is presented to an outstanding undergraduate Black Student Government or Council. The Council must demonstrate a serious commitment to unity, academic achievement, scholarship, campus programming, and community service. Additionally, the council must provide evidence of a sound operation and effective council management.

Applicants for this award must include the following information:

- Please list all the council officers.
- Please describe in detail the council efforts to encourage and support the member's academic achievement.
 - How successful have these efforts been? Please describe in detail the council's effort to promote unity.
- Please describe the council involvement in community/public service activities.
 - Be sure to include service projects that involved the entire campus.
- Please describe the council's campus programming efforts.
 - Be sure to include only programs that involved the entire council. How have the council's activities impacted your campus?
- Please describe the council relationship with advisor.
- Please describe what makes your council outstanding.
 - Why should you be considered for this award?

MOST IMPROVED BIG XII COUNCIL OF THE YEAR AWARD

This award is presented to an outstanding undergraduate Black Student Government or Council. The council must demonstrate a serious commitment that they have improved unity, academic achievement, scholarship, campus programming, and community service. Additionally, the council must provide evidence that strides have been made to improve council programming and overall management.

Applicants for this award should complete the following information:

- Please list all the council officers.
- Please describe in detail the council efforts to encourage and support the member's academic achievement.
 - How successful have these efforts been?
- Please describe in detail the council's effort to promote unity.
- Please describe the council involvement in community/public service activities.
 - Be sure to include service projects that involved the entire campus.
- Please describe the council's campus programming efforts.
 - Be sure to include only programs that involved the entire council.
 - How have the council's activities impacted your campus?
- Please describe the council relationship with advisor.
- Please describe what would make your council most improved from the previous year.

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**ROBERT PAGE, JR., AWARD
NON-BIG TWELVE COUNCIL OF THE YEAR AWARD**

The award is presented to a Non-Big XII School undergraduate Black Student Government or Council. The council must demonstrate a serious commitment to unity, academic achievement, scholarship, campus programming, and community service. Additionally, the council must provide evidence of a sound operation and effective council management.

Applicants for this award should complete the following information:

- Please list all the council officers.
- Please describe in detail the council efforts to encourage and support the member's academic achievement.
 - How successful have these efforts been?
- Please describe in detail the council's effort to promote unity.
- Please describe the council involvement in community/public service activities.
 - Be sure to include service projects that involved the entire campus.
- Please describe the council's campus programming efforts.
 - Be sure to include only programs that involved the entire council.
 - How have the council's activities impacted your campus?
- Please describe the council relationship with its advisor.
- Please describe what makes your council outstanding.
 - Why should you be considered for this award?

**Big XII Council on Black Student Government
2017 Council Awards Application**

MUST BE TYPED

Name _____

Institution _____

City, State, & Zip Code _____

Telephone _____

E-Mail _____

Advisor _____

President _____

Please Check One:

_____ Transcript included with **THIS** application

_____ Transcript included with **OTHER** application (list):

CASH AWARDS

(PLEASE CHECK ONE. SUBMIT ONE APPLICATION PACKET PER AWARD.)

_____ **Dyric Burt Big XII Outstanding Freshman of the Year**

_____ **Outstanding Big XII Sophomore of the Year**

_____ **Outstanding Big XII Junior of the Year**

_____ **Outstanding Big XII Senior of the Year**

_____ **Outstanding Non Big XII Freshman of the Year**

_____ **Outstanding Non Big XII Sophomore of the Year**

_____ **Outstanding Non Big XII Junior of the Year**

_____ **Robert Page, Jr. Award for Outstanding Non Big XII Senior of the Year**

_____ **Clarence Wine Outstanding Big XII Council of the Year**

_____ **Most Improved Big XII Council of the Year**

_____ **Robert Page, Jr. Award for Outstanding Non Big XII Council of the Year**

I hereby certify that all information and supporting material accompanying this Award Application is valid and accurate, and occurred after December 31, 2015.

Advisor's Signature / Date

President's Signature / Date

Preparer's Signatures (if different from above) / Date