

**KEMPER K. KNAPP BEQUEST COMMITTEE  
ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2009-2010**

**I. COMMITTEE FUNCTION**

The Kemper K. Knapp Bequest Committee meets at least once each year to evaluate requests to fund special projects that will take place during the following academic year. The committee favors projects that cross departmental lines and have an impact on the educational and cultural life of the university community, particularly projects that benefit undergraduate students. Knapp funds are not often used for purposes that can and should be supported elsewhere, such as from regular grants or research funding, from fees charged for performances, or from the regular university budget. When considering requests for funds, the committee keeps in mind the spirit of the will of Kemper K. Knapp:

“In general it is my wish that such funds be used for purposes outside the regular curriculum of the university. . . to cultivate in the student body ideals of honesty, sincerity, earnestness, tolerance, and social and political obligations.”

**II. ACTIVITIES**

As in previous years, the major share of the income from the Knapp Bequest Fund was allocated to enhance scholarship opportunities at the UW-Madison. Support in this category was granted toward undergraduate and law scholarships, minority scholarships administered through the Office of the Chancellor, and Graduate School fellowships.

In addition to the ongoing support for scholarships, the committee makes regular allotments to the Lectures Committee and to the Morgridge Center for Public Service.

Lastly, the committee makes other grants for one-time projects, typically in the range of \$500 to \$5,000. During the 2009-2010 funding cycle, the committee received 23 total requests, of which 21 (91%) were approved for funding for both ongoing and one-time projects. The one-time project grants have served to enrich the cultural and broad educational environment at the UW-Madison.

The Kemper K. Knapp Bequest Committee granted \$967,336 for ongoing projects (an increase of \$67,336 from the previous funding cycle) and \$121,752 for one-time project requests (an increase of \$22,631 from the previous funding cycle). Refer to Appendix A for the list of awards.

**III. SUMMARY**

In its commitment to the enrichment of the intellectual environment of the university through the use of the Kemper K. Knapp Bequest, the committee strives to encourage increased interest in the development of campus activities that will fulfill the donor's interest in the undergraduate experience.

**IV. MEMBERSHIP**

Aaron Brower, Office of the Provost  
Zsuzsanna Fabry, Biological Sciences (Pathology and Laboratory Medicine)  
Mary Louise Gomez, Social Studies (Curriculum and Instruction)  
David Nelson, Physical Sciences (Biochemistry), chair  
Kirsten Wolf, Arts and Humanities (Scandinavian Studies)

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Appendix A

<b>Project/Program Name or Description Sponsoring Unit</b>	<b>Amount of Grant</b>
<u>Ongoing Commitments</u>	
Graduate School Fellowship Program ..... Graduate School	\$287,336
Chancellor's Scholarship Program ..... Office of the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs	\$60,000
Legal Education Opportunity (LEO) Fellowship Program ..... Law School	\$70,000
University-Wide Lectures ..... Lectures Committee	\$25,000
Undergraduate Merit Scholarship Program ..... Office of Student Financial Services	\$500,000
Transportation Program ..... Morgridge Center for Public Service	\$25,000
<u>2009-2010 One-Time Awards</u>	
Bring the Andrei Codrescu, Writer and Social Commentator for 3-day Residency ..... Center for Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia (CREECA)	\$5,000
Housing the Norden T.A. in the International Learning Community ..... Department of Scandinavian Studies	\$5,000
Thirteenth Annual Evenings of American Indian Storytelling ..... American Indian Studies Programs	\$5,000
Sophomore Summer Research Apprenticeship Program ..... L&S Honors Program	\$10,500
UW Steel Bridge Project ..... UW Steel Bridge Team	\$3,500
UW Forensics Team ..... UW Forensics Team	\$4,550
Students for Bird Conservation ..... Department of Animal Sciences	\$2,833
Village Health Project ..... Village Health Project	\$5,000

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<b>Project/Program Name or Description Sponsoring Unit</b>	<b>Amount of Grant</b>
Undergraduate Arabic Residential Community . . . . . Department of African Languages and Literature	\$9,469
Bring Madison Roth, German Theater Director for a Theater Residency . . . . . Department of German	\$6,500
Family Voices Partnership for University Engagement and Early Academic . . . . . Department of Interdisciplinary Studies	\$900
ASME East Coast Human Powered Vehicle Challenge Project 2010 . . . . . American Society of Mechanical Engineers (Human-Powered Vehicle Challenge Team)	\$3,500
Bridging the Generation Gap: A Conference of UW-Madison Hmong-American Undergraduates and Students and Faculty Interested in the Lives and History of Hmong Americans . . . . . Asian American Studies Program	\$5,000
Afro-Asian American Performance-Outreach Project . . . . . Asian American Studies Program	\$5,000
Kemper Knapp Rural Scholarships . . . . . Office of Student Financial Services	\$50,000