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## Kemper K. Knapp Bequest Committee Annual Report for 2013-2014 and 2014-2015

### 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 has been allocated to enhance scholarship opportunities at the UW-Madison. Support in this category has been 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 2 funding cycles (2013-14, 2014-15), the committee received 22 requests each grant cycle and has granted between 96-99% of available funds. We are able to carry-over funds from year-to-year. The Kemper K. Knapp Bequest Committee approved grants of \$963,064.65 in 2013-14 and \$1,039,849 in 2014-15.

### 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, 2013-14 and 2014-15

Julie K. Allen, Arts and Humanities (Scandinavian Studies)  
Alberta M. Gloria, Social Studies (Counseling Psychology) (2014-15)  
Mary Louise Gomez, Social Studies (Curriculum and Instruction) (2013-14)  
Sundaram Gunasekaran, *Chair, 2013-14*, Physical Sciences (Biological Systems Engineering)  
Scott Lutz, *Chair, 2014-16*, Biological Sciences (Forest & Wildlife Ecology)  
Laurie Mayberry, Office of the Provost

Appendix A

<b>Project/Program Name or Description Sponsoring Unit</b>	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>2014-15</b>
<u>Ongoing Commitments</u>		
Graduate School Fellowship Program..... Graduate School	\$262,910	\$296,240
Chancellor’s Scholarship Program ..... Office of the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs	\$51,000	\$60,000
Legal Education Opportunity (LEO) Fellowship Program ..... Law School	\$51,377	\$51,377
Secretary of the Faculty ..... Lectures Committee	\$25,000	\$25,000
Undergraduate Merit Scholarship Program ..... Office of Student Financial Services	\$488,000	\$525,000
Transportation Program..... Morgridge Center for Public Service	\$25,000	\$28,000
<u>One-Time Awards</u>		
Neuroscience Outreach Program ..... Neuroscience Training Program	\$4,000	\$700
American Indian Storytelling ..... American Indian Studies Programs	\$5,000	\$9,000
Sophomore Summer Research Apprenticeship Program ..... L&S Honors Program	\$10,500	\$11,000
UW Forensics Team ..... L&S Honors Program	\$3,785	\$5,000
Human powered vehicle ..... Department of Mechanical Engineering	\$3,600	\$4,000
UW Space Place ..... UW Space Place	\$4,700	-----
Arabic language and culture ..... Department of African Languages & Culture	\$3,000	-----
Kaleidoscope ..... Department of Spanish & Portuguese	\$5,000	\$4,000

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One-Time Awards (*continued*)

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Biocore Outreach Ambassadors ..... Biology Core Curriculum	\$5,662	-----
Soundwaves..... School of Music	\$4,856	-----
Finnish song literature ..... School of Music/Scandinavian Studies	\$5,000	-----
UW Model United Nations..... Department of Political Science	\$3,925	\$4,500
Village Health Project ..... College of Agriculture & Life Sciences	-----	\$4,955
40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Department & Conference..... Department of Gender and Women's Studies	-----	\$6,577
Food Science Club Product Development..... Department of Food Science	-----	\$2,000
Undergraduate Initiative for Arabic Language.....	-----	\$1,500