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Date of Application: _____

For New Applicants (prospective graduate students and current Cal State LA graduate students): International and non-resident graduate students may apply for the Fee Waiver by submitting a completed application **and** the following items to their College Associate Dean:

1. List any significant awards or honors you have received.
2. Describe your academic interests, future plans and past achievements (250-400 words).
3. Please provide a statement describing your financial need, if any (150 words).
4. A letter of recommendation from one of the following: department chair, graduate advisor, faculty member, or another pertinent individual who has taught or advised the student. The letter should address the student's ability to complete the degree successfully and in a timely fashion.
5. Official copies of transcripts from all colleges and universities attended by the student, at the undergraduate and graduate levels.
6. Provide any additional evidence of exceptional scholastic ability and prior academic achievement (optional).

Continuing Tuition Fee Waiver Applicants: Once awarded, continuing graduate students are eligible to receive the tuition waiver through this program for up to three academic years. Awards for years two and three will require the following:

1. Student must prepare a brief statement of their progress in the program (no more than 1 doubled-spaced typed page).
2. A letter of support from the relevant graduate program Chair or faculty advisor. This letter must address the student's progress in the program and plans for a timely graduation from the program.
3. Unofficial copies of transcripts demonstrating satisfactory degree progress in the previous year (GPA of 3.0 or better, program progress).

Selection will be based on a comprehensive and holistic review of application materials, including written essays, GPA, Test Scores, and other evidence of scholastic ability and academic achievement. *It is recommended that applicants have a minimum GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale, or an equivalent academic credential from a recognized international university.*