

School of Education

Daniel H. Russell Memorial Scholarship Application

Date Submitted:

Deadline for Submission May 20, 2022

Name:

Umass Global Email:

Other Email:

Phone:

Date Passed Ed.D. Advancement:

State of Residence: California Washington

Describe the genuine need for financial assistance for the dissertation editing costs. Provide information on how the scholarship funds will assist in writing and completing the dissertation. Include the name of the proposed editor and an estimate for the cost for the editing, including for the dissertation proposal and final draft of the dissertation. **Limit: 350 words**

(The dialogue box will expand as you type)

Describe your commitment to providing community leadership and service to others. Include past and current examples to illustrate the commitment. **Limit: 350 words**

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Applicant Signature:

Date:

Daniel H. Russell Memorial Scholarship

A scholarship fund has been established by Empowering People in Communities, Inc., a non-profit organization located in Tacoma Washington, in memory of Daniel H. Russell. The scholarship will be awarded to help a doctoral student in the UMass Global's Doctor of Education in Organizational Leadership (Ed.D.) program defray the cost of editing their dissertation. Ed.D. students are required to work with a professional editor to finalize their dissertation for publication. Editing costs can easily exceed \$1500, especially for students who are challenged writers. Daniel was instrumental in helping many UMass Global Ed.D. students complete their dissertations, beginning from the first one in 2014.

Daniel H. Russell

After completing college, Daniel started his own business as a copy editor. He first began by helping his friend, Rowlanda Cawthon, edit her dissertation and assisting her with research for her doctorate at Brandman University. Shortly thereafter, others at the university sought out Daniel's editing expertise to complete their doctoral degrees. Daniel subsequently supported many others throughout the nation with their academic journeys. To continue his legacy of helping others achieve their educational goals, the [Daniel H. Russell Memorial Scholarship](#) was created.

Scholarship Amount

- A \$1500 scholarship will be awarded annually to one second-year Ed.D. student who meets the criteria for the scholarship.

Scholarship Award Criteria

The student must:

- have passed the Ed.D. Advancement to Candidacy process;
- has a genuine need for the financial assistance;
- can clearly articulate how they will use the support and are committed to completing the dissertation;
- demonstrate their commitment to community leadership and service; and
- lives in the states of California or Washington.

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Scholarship Award

- Scholarship will be awarded annually at the Umass Global Ed.D. immersion in June.
- The award is limited to students living in California and Washington State.
- Scholarship will be awarded by the Empowering People in Communities, Inc. directly to the student.
- The scholarship will be awarded in 2 installments; a check for \$750 will be awarded at the June Immersion, with the second \$750 provided upon evidence of the successful completion of the dissertation proposal defense to the Empowering People in Communities, Inc.
- The student will be requested to submit a copy of their final dissertation and a one-page testimonial on the effect of the scholarship to the Empowering People in Communities organization.

Scholarship Award Process

- An announcement with a link to the scholarship application and scoring rubric will be sent to all second-year Ed.D. students announcing the scholarship and inviting them to apply in April, with a submission deadline in mid-May annually.
- Challenged writers will be encouraged to apply.
- An electronic application will be accessible to students on the Daniel H. Russell Memorial Scholarship website: <https://www.dherscholarship.com/>.
- A scholarship award committee will be comprised of individuals determined by the chief executive of the Empowering People in Communities, Inc. and will include one member of the Ed.D. faculty.
- A scholarship selection committee will convene online to review the applications received and select the top applicants to participate in an online interview.
- The selected students will attend an online interview and the committee will select a winner using the scoring rubric.
- The scholarship award winner will be announced at the June Immersion and receive an award letter and a check for half of the Award. The award letter will detail the process for receiving the second half of the award upon submission of the dissertation and testimonial.