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**The DR. M. CELESTE NICHOLS AWARD Application/U of L Women’s Center**

**THE DR. M. CELESTE NICHOLS AWARD** is named in honor of M. Celeste Nichols, the first African American to receive a Ph.D. from the University of Louisville’s Department of English. She graduated in 1992 with a Doctor of Philosophy in Rhetoric and Composition. **Graduate students at U of L** are invited to apply for the award – **up to $500**—that will support academic and professional enrichment beyond normal graduate program expenses. Students will be recognized at an event in \*fall 2023 and/or spring 2024. See award’s criteria and guidelines on separate page.

(\*Date to be announced)

**\*\*DR. M. CELESTE NICHOLS AWARD APPLICATION\*\***

***DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR THE AWARD IS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2023***

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**Local Telephone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Best time to call: \_\_\_\_\_AM \_\_\_\_\_PM**

**E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Cumulative GPA\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative Hours Earned \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Major: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Minor \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Anticipated graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Dr. M. Celeste Nichols was a trail blazer in being the 1st African American woman to receive a Ph.D degree in English from U of L. Tell us in your own words (300-500) what you know about her accomplishments and how her life may have impacted you or will impact you in your research.**

**Please Include a 300-500 word statement that includes the importance of racial equity and social justice; your experience with social justice activities and your long-term commitment to social change. (ATTACH TO THIS APPLICATION)**

**Please share with the committee the impact of receiving this scholarship award if you are selected:**

Mail or deliver the application and all materials in a sealed envelope to the attention of Phyllis M. Webb, c/o Women’s Center, **Diversity & Equity Center**, 120 East Brandeis, University of Louisville, Louisville, KY 40292 by the deadline date or email womenctr@louisville.edu for a specific drop off location)

(**\***date to be announced)

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