

REFORMA
The Los Angeles Chapter
Elizabeth Martinez Scholarship 2009

The Los Angeles chapter of REFORMA invites current and future library and information studies students to apply for the 2009 scholarship!

As our library profession strives to serve an increasingly diverse population, the Los Angeles Chapter of REFORMA seeks to support the recruitment and retention of bilingual Spanish/English students to the profession of librarianship through local REFORMA chapter scholarship funds.

ELIZABETH MARTINEZ SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship applicants should fulfill the following instructions:

- Be resident of Southern California
- Currently attend or have been accepted to an ALA-accredited institution for Fall 2009
- Be bilingual/bicultural (Spanish/English) and/or committed to working with the Latino community

The application deadline for the scholarship is **AUGUST 14, 2009** (POSTMARKED)

TO APPLY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP:

- Complete the application form provided below.
- Present proof of Southern California residence. [For example, a photocopy of your California driver's license or California ID card].
- Present proof of acceptance/attendance at any ALA-accredited Institution for the 2009/2010 academic year [For example, a photocopy of your letter of acceptance, a list of current classes, or a copy of your transcripts].
- Include a personal statement of at least 500 words. [The statement should be typed, double-spaced, and include information about your background that is relevant to the scholarship goals and a description of your commitment to working with the Latino community]

ABOUT REFORMA

We are the Los Angeles Chapter of REFORMA, the National Association to Promote Library and Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish Speaking. Nationally, REFORMA is committed to the improvement of the full spectrum of library and information services for the more than 40 million Spanish-speaking and Latino people in the U.S.

Established in 1971, REFORMA has actively sought to promote the development of library collections to include Spanish language and Latino-oriented materials; the recruitment of more bilingual and bicultural professionals and support staff; the development of library services and programs which meet the needs of the Spanish-speaking and Latino communities; the establishment of a national network among individuals who share our goals; the education of the U.S. Latino population in regards to the availability and types of library services; and lobbying efforts to preserve existing library resource centers serving the interests of Latinos.

Scholarship awards should be applied to school expenses. The scholarship for the academic school year will be awarded to at least one recipient each in the amount of \$500.00.

For further information, please contact Martin Delgado and leave a message at (562) 310 – 8380 or visit <http://library.csun.edu/reformala>

To apply, please supply the following information:

PERSONAL DATA

Name:			
<i>Last Name</i>	<i>First Name</i>	<i>Middle Initial</i>	
Address:			
<i>Address</i>	<i>City, State, Zip Code</i>	<i>Country</i>	
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:	Work Phone:	
Preferred phone number <input type="checkbox"/> Cell <input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Work			
E-Mail:			

GRADUATE SCHOOL INFORMATION

Name of the ALA-accredited institution you attend or to which you have been accepted.			
<input type="checkbox"/> UCLA	<input type="checkbox"/> SJSU	<input type="checkbox"/> UNT@CSUN	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) :

PUBLICITY

Where /How did you hear about our scholarship?
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PERSONAL STATEMENT

Please attach your personal statement to this application packet. The statement should be typed, double spaced, and include information about your background that is relevant to the scholarship goals and a description of your commitment to working with the Latino community.
Please address the following: 1) What is your need for financial assistance? 2) What are your qualifications to be a librarian and serve Spanish/English speaking and Latino patrons? 3) What types of programs /services would you implement as a librarian or archivist or information architect?

MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

Martin E. Delgado
REFORMA: Los Angeles Chapter
P.O. Box 39685
Downey, CA 90238

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS BOX (FOR SELECTION COMMITTEE ONLY)

Date received: Proof of acceptance/attendance: Proof of California residence: Personal statement:
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