



Foundation Invites Ethics Award Nominations

The James S. Kemper Foundation invites nominations for its 2007 Ethics Award which carries a grant of \$25,000 to be used to advance and develop the selected program. The Ethics Award recognizes exemplary undergraduate programs in ethics related to careers in business and organizational leadership, especially those in smaller liberal arts colleges, although programs at all not-for-profit colleges and universities may be nominated and will be considered.

Programs will be evaluated on the philosophical coherence of their underlying rationale, their demonstrated success in positively affecting the values and attitudes of students, on their innovative approach, and on evidence of institutional commitment to instilling ethics in students.

The James S. Kemper Foundation, headquartered in Chicago, has as a mission promoting its philosophy that a college-level education in the liberal arts represents the ideal preparation for life and work, especially for careers in administration, business, and organizational leadership. The Foundation has supported the education of college students for sixty years and has had a special interest in promoting ethical approaches and practices among organizational leaders and administrators. The James S. Kemper Foundation Ethics Award is a vehicle for their promotion

Nominations should be in the form of a letter which in no more than five single-spaced pages identifies the nominator and the nominator's relationship to the program; gives basic information about the institution whose program is being nominated; describes the ethics program, its philosophy and its history in some detail; and gives evidence of the program's success. Members of college and university communities may nominate their own programs.

Nominations should be sent as an attachment to an email sent to EthicsAward@jskemper.org and must be received no later than September 15, 2007. An announcement of the award recipient will be made in late November or early December, 2007.

The 2006 James S. Kemper Foundation Ethics Grant was made to Ripon College in Ripon, Wisconsin, in recognition of its Leadership Ethics Program and to support a new service learning internship initiative connected to the program. Ripon's program includes activities such as conferences, retreats, and seminars on ethical issues and the Ethics Bowl, an annual competition in which competing teams of students tackle ethical dilemmas and present their arguments to a panel of judges.