After graduating with a bachelor’s of science degree from CSU Northridge, and serving as an officer in the US Army, Richard Leffingwell joined the CSU’s Chancellor’s Office as a member of the trustees’ audit staff. Then he directed the CSU’s self-supporting financing activities, and later became the Director of Financing and Treasury. Richard worked with trustees, campuses, and the municipal financing community to establish viable systems for financing non-state projects at the 23 CSU campuses before retiring in 2004. This scholarship reflects his admiration for the university’s commitment to provide opportunities to foster the next generation of students who wish to be instrumental in serving the public.

One (1) $3,000 scholarship will be awarded for the 2015-2016 academic year.

- Students must have a course of study within a discipline of a California State University School of Business and Economics.
- Students must have demonstrated an interest in and aspire to a career in public service.
- Students must demonstrate a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale and be in good academic standing.
- Students must demonstrate financial need as determined by the campus Financial Aid office.
- Students must be currently enrolled as a full-time equivalent upper division or graduate student at a California State University campus and must remain a full-time equivalent student during the scholarship period.
- A military veteran meeting the criteria and otherwise equal to others in qualifications will receive more favorable consideration.

Submit the following application materials to the Financial Aid Office located in Welch Hall room B-250:

- Scholarship Applicant Information form available [here](#) or visit the Financial Aid Office to pick one up
- A brief Academic Profile
- A brief Personal Statement describing background, personal achievements, challenges they have encountered, educational pursuits and goals and aspirations for the future

**APPLICATION DUE DATE:**
**THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2015**