

**Department of African and African American Studies, Harvard University  
Jonathan M. Levin Prize for Teaching and Social Justice  
2017 Application**

**Eligibility: All Harvard College seniors pursuing careers as public school teachers**

**Application deadline: Friday, April 7, 2017**

This award, established by Martin D. Payson, Quincy Jones, and Professor Henry Louis Gates, Jr., honors Jonathan M. Levin, a compassionate and dedicated man committed to teaching as a means of combating the social injustices that exist in American society. The Department awards this prize, in two installments, to the most promising undergraduate student who intends to become a public school teacher. The first installment of five hundred dollars will be awarded at graduation and the remaining two hundred and fifty dollars will be awarded upon the successful completion of two years of public-school teaching. The recipient will be asked to write an essay on his/her experiences teaching in the public schools and submit this to the department before he/she can accept the second installment.

Applicants must submit a 1-2 page statement of purpose explaining their commitment and passion to teaching and how they will contribute to public school teaching or public service if they receive this award. They must also submit a resume, letter of faculty recommendation, and a letter of employment from Teach for America or from a public school, confirming teaching employment for the following year.

First Name

Middle Name

Last Name

Harvard ID  
Number

Concentration

Phone

Email

Permanent Legal  
Address

Harvard Address

Estimated  
Graduation Date

Name of Faculty  
Referee

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Application Checklist:

Application Form

Statement of  
Purpose

Resume

Recommendation  
Letter

Letter Confirming  
Teaching  
Employment

All application materials must be submitted by the **Friday, April 7, 2017** deadline to:

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