Guideline Sheet

Overview
Crossing the Cistern is a program designed to address financial support and sense of community of all students with a particular focus on AALANA students at the College of Charleston.

Eligibility
Rising sophomores and juniors with a GPA between 2.0 – 2.4
Minimum 30 earned credit hours

Six-Point Plan

Point 1: Scholarship
Full-time rising sophomores (30 + credit hours) or juniors (60 + credit hours) will be awarded $1500 at the beginning of each semester to assist with financial need
- First Semester Award: $1,500
- Second Semester Award: $1,500

Point 2: Academic Support
- Contact with his/her Alumni Mentor once a week
- Attend tutoring in the Center for Student Learning once a week
- Attend monthly seminars in the Eddie Ganaway Learning Center to hear guest speakers discuss topics related to sense of community

Point 3: Extra-curricular Activity
Participate in two or more of the following extra-curricular events
- Homecoming
- Cougarpalooza
- Dance Marathon
- Days of Service

Point 4: Volunteerism
Volunteer 10 hours locally during the academic year

Point 5: Internship
- Spring Internship: 60 hours (4 hours per week)
- Requirement: GPA must increase at the end of the fall semester
- Award: $1,000 (allocated throughout the Spring semester based on work hours/week)

Point 6: Year Long Project
Reflection Video Diary of CTC experiences with a particular focus on experiences related to sense of community.

Timeframe for Assistance
Students will receive assistance from the program for one academic year and must be rising sophomores (30+ hours) or juniors (60+ credit hours). (Students may only complete the Crossing the Cistern Program once)

Admissions Process
1. Enrollment through application process; selection by committee
2. Eligibility based on sophomore (30+ credit hours) and junior status (60+ credit hours)
3. GPA between 2.0-2.4