Dr. Mary Cay Sengstock, faculty member in the Department of Sociology, endowed this scholarship because she believed that sociologists must be keenly sensitive to the diversity of groups and cultures in modern society and she desired to provide financial assistance to students contributing to the knowledge and promotion of social and cultural diversity. Dr. Sengstock funded this $1,000 scholarship anonymously for four years before her death in May 2014. The Department of Sociology renamed this scholarship to honor her legacy.

Eligibility: Sociology graduate students, particularly members of racial, ethnic, and other underrepresented groups who are studying diversity in society, are encouraged to apply.

To apply, students should write a letter outlining recent academic achievements in the area of diversity scholarship. Completed applications and any inquiries should be directed to Dr. Krista Brumley, Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Sociology at kbrumley@wayne.edu. Please put “Mary Cay Sengstock Diversity Scholarship” in the subject line of your email. The deadline for completed applications is April 7, 2017. The winner will be presented with the award at the annual Sociology Student Award Day on Thursday, April 20, 2017.