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Candace Clare Sobers Wins 2009 Gerald R. Ford Scholar Award in Honor of Robert M. Teeter

The Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library is proud to announce that Candace Clare Sobers has been chosen as the 2009 winner of the Gerald R. Ford Scholar Award in Honor of Robert M. Teeter. Ms. Sobers is a doctoral student in History at the University of Toronto and is completing her doctoral dissertation: *The Crisis of Decolonization, the Challenge of Intervention: Revolutionary Angola, 1968-1976*. She is examining how Portuguese decolonization and Angolan independence compromised U.S.-Soviet détente, and how revolutionary politics on the African continent challenged American foreign policy makers in the Ford Administration.

This annual award of \$5000 is given to a doctoral student conducting dissertation research and writing on an aspect of the United States political process during the latter part of the 20th century. It was established in 2005 to honor the life and work of Robert Teeter. Mr. Teeter spent over thirty years as a leader in public opinion analysis and campaign strategy, including the 1976 campaign of President Gerald R. Ford. The majority of written materials from Mr. Teeter's career are part of the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library collection. This award has been made possible by the generous support of the Teeter family and friends, and his colleagues on the United Parcel Service Board of Directors.

The application deadline for next year's award is May 1, 2010. For more information, please visit the Ford Library's website at: <http://www.fordlibrarymuseum.gov/library/fsa.asp> or contact Stacy Davis at (734) 205-0563 or at stacy.davis@nara.gov.

Previous Recipients:

2008 – Adam M. Saunders, University of Oxford, *Power and the Welfare State: The Political Economy of American and British Unemployment Insurance Reform, 1964-1986*.

2007 - Vanessa P. Walker, University of Wisconsin-Madison, *Ambivalent Allies: Advocates, Diplomats, and the Struggle for Human Rights in Latin America*.

2006 - Benjamin C. Waterhouse, Harvard University, *Corporate Leaders and the Pro-Business Agenda in Modern American Politics*.

2005 - Erika Franklin Fowler, University of Wisconsin-Madison, *Party Images, Public Opinion, and Political Change*.