

Scholarship Application

About the HIMSS Foundation Scholarship Program

The HIMSS Foundation Scholarship Program annually awards scholarships to student members studying in the healthcare information or management systems field.

Scholarships are awarded for academic excellence and the potential for future leadership in the healthcare information and management systems industry. Review criteria vary for each scholarship, but include as a core foundation: scholastic achievement and demonstration of leadership potential, including communication skills and participation in HIMSS activities.

The five \$5000 scholarships are awarded to the student(s) deemed most deserving as determined by the HIMSS Foundation Scholarship Review Board. In addition to the cash award, recipients receive an all-expense paid trip to the Annual HIMSS Conference and Exhibition. (*Some restrictions may apply.*)

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Healthcare Information Management Systems

- Undergraduate Scholarship
- Master's Scholarship
- Ph.D. Scholarship

Richard P. Covert, Ph.D., FHIMSS, Scholarship for Management Systems

- Pursuing a degree (undergraduate or higher) in Management Engineering

Qualifications

Applicants for the Healthcare Information Management Systems and the Richard P. Covert, Ph.D., FHIMSS, scholarships must fulfill these minimum requirements:

- Applicant must be a member in good standing of HIMSS.
- Primary occupation of the applicant at the time the scholarship is awarded must be that of student in an accredited undergraduate, Master's or PhD program related to the healthcare information or management systems field. The specific degree program is not a critical factor, although it is expected that programs similar to those in industrial engineering, operations research, healthcare informatics, computer science and information systems, mathematics, and quantitative programs in business administration and hospital administration will predominate.
- Undergraduate applicants must be at least a first-term junior when the scholarship is awarded.
- Previous scholarship winners are ineligible.

Healthlink Informatics Scholarship Advanced Degree (Master's or Ph.D.)



Qualifications

The Healthlink Informatics Scholarship is awarded based on financial need. In addition, applicants must fulfill these minimum requirements:

- Applicant must be a member in good standing of HIMSS.
- Applicants must be enrolled full or part-time at an accredited university or college and pursuing an advanced degree in the field of healthcare informatics at the time the scholarship is awarded.
- Applicants must be able to demonstrate financial need.
- Previous scholarship winners are ineligible.

The HIMSS Foundation is the philanthropic arm of the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society, dedicated to inspiring charitable giving, research, education and to enhancing the management and application of healthcare information and technology.

Application for HIMSS Foundation Scholarships

This application can be completed online at www.himss.org/scholarship

Application Checklist

- Complete application
- Official transcript(s)
- Three (3) letters of recommendation in sealed envelopes
- Personal Statement
- Resume or Curriculum Vitae
- Technical paper or essay (Master's and PhD students only)
- HIMSS Membership Application, accompanied by dues if a new HIMSS member

Personal Data

Name _____

Permanent Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Mailing/School Address (if different from above) _____

Scholarship applying for: HIMS Undergraduate HIMS Master's HIMS PhD

Richard P. Covert, Ph.D., FHIMSS, Scholarship Healthlink Informatics Scholarship



Current Educational Enrollment

Undergraduate Master's PhD

Program Name _____

Academic Advisor _____ Department _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

School _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Course Work

Please identify targeted core courses for your upcoming academic year.

Official Transcripts and Academic Achievement

An official transcript from each educational institution that you have attended must be provided.

These transcripts are required regardless of your length of stay at the institution.

Complete the following information.

Institution _____ Degree Program _____

Dates of Attendance _____ Overall GPA _____ Major _____

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Letters of Recommendation

- Include three (3) letters of recommendation with your application.
- Each letter should compare the student to others in the following areas:
 - Technical skills
 - Communication skills
 - Leadership abilities
 - Overall scholarship/aptitude
- One letter must be from your academic advisor.
- The letters of recommendation should include the recommender's position and, if applicable, course(s) taught to the applicant.
- Each letter must be sealed and signed across the sealed portion by the individual whose signature appears on the enclosed letter.

Professional Achievement and Academic Society Activity

Please list any professional or academic societies or associations to which you belong.

- Indicate whether the society or association is concerned with healthcare information and management systems.
- If you currently hold, or have held, an office in any of the societies you list below, please indicate your position and dates of service. (Attach an additional page, if needed.)

Society or Association _____ Is the purpose related to healthcare? Yes No
 Office held _____ Dates of service _____

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 Office held _____ Dates of service _____

Please list any conferences, seminars, or symposia you have attended whose subject was pertinent to healthcare information and management systems. (Attach an additional page, if needed.)

Program Title _____
 Sponsor _____
 Were you a presenter? Yes No Topic _____

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 Sponsor _____
 Were you a presenter? Yes No Topic _____

Leadership/Community Involvement

- Please list any personal achievements or extracurricular involvement in organizations outside of professional/academic organizations.
- Please indicate offices that you hold or have held including your position and dates of service. (Attach an additional page, if needed.)

Society or Association _____
 Office held _____ Dates of service _____

Society or Association _____
 Office held _____ Dates of service _____

Additional Accomplishments: _____

HIMSS Involvement

When did you become a member of HIMSS? _____ (Month/Year) or Application Enclosed

Which HIMSS Chapter are you a member of? _____

Have you attended a HIMSS Annual Conference? City _____ Year _____
 City _____ Year _____

Have you participated as a Student Volunteer at Annual Conference: Yes No City _____ Year _____

Please list any other involvement you have had with HIMSS: _____

Financial Information

*To be completed by those applying for the Healthlink Informatics Scholarship only



This section must be complete and the name and phone number of your financial aid officer must be provided. If current figures are not available, please use last year's figures, or estimate to the best of your ability. Potential candidates may be contacted by HIMSS to discuss verification of these figures. Candidates should be prepared to provide proof of figures if required.

A) Cost of tuition only \$ _____

B) Annual cost of living and other expenses. \$ _____

C) Total expenses (add lines A and B). \$ _____

D) Total amount of family and personal contributions to cost . . . \$ _____

E) Financial aid pending or awarded 2004/2005: Loans \$ _____

F) Financial aid 2004/2005: Grants & Scholarships. \$ _____

G) Total financial aid pending or awarded (add lines E and F) . . . \$ _____

H) Total amount of funds available (add lines G and D). \$ _____

I) Unmet needs (subtract line H from line C)* \$ _____

*if you get a negative number, list unmet need as \$0.00

Financial Aid Officer Name _____

Financial Aid Officer Phone _____

Financial Aid Office Address _____

Personal Statement (All Applicants)

Prepare a personal statement that includes a brief discussion of the following:

- Career Goals (goals upon graduation and short-term goals within the industry)
- Past Achievements (achievements that will support your future career goals)
- Future Goals (describe where you envision yourself in your career long-term and discuss the question "why should I receive this Scholarship?")

Resume or Curriculum Vitae (All Applicants)

Attach a copy of your most current resume or CV. Provide complete work history including average hours worked, a list of all publications and presentations, and all academic awards.

Technical Paper or Essay (Master's and Ph.D Students Only)

Include in your completed application packet a copy of a technical paper of which you were the sole or principal author; that was submitted for credit for an academic course; or that was required as part of an internship/residency at a healthcare institution. The subject of the paper should be relevant to healthcare information and management systems and should demonstrate quantitative and analytic skills, or submit a five to ten page (double-spaced) essay on the following topic: *The Purpose and Role of Healthcare Information and Management Systems in the Healthcare Industry.*

Personal Statement (All Applicants)

I certify that all of the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge. Applicant may be disqualified if false information is submitted. I understand that all material submitted becomes the property of HIMSS and will not be returned.

Respectfully submitted by:

Signature _____

Date ____/____/____

Past Scholarship Winners

Undergraduate Recipients

| | | |
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| 1986 | Susan Scott | University of Michigan |
| 1987 | Mark A. Wyckoff | Iowa State University |
| 1988 | Joyce Boyle | Youngstown State University |
| 1990 | Mark Steffen | Iowa State University |
| 1992 | Lisa Cox | California Polytechnic State University |
| 1993 | Jill Hodson | Iowa State University |
| 1995 | Therese K. Wixon | Iowa State University |
| 1996 | Kendra Wyatt | University of Iowa |
| 1997 | Michele Puetz | BSIE University of Iowa |
| 1998 | Stephanie Lyons | Oklahoma State University |
| 1999 | Melanie Anderson | Iowa State University |
| 2000 | Matt Raine | Iowa State University |
| 2001 | Pamela Leonardson | University of Washington |
| 2001 | Jenny Petersen | University of Wisconsin |
| 2002 | Christina D. Finger | North Dakota State University |
| 2003 | Priya Aggarwal | Georgia Institute of Technology |
| 2004 | Elizabeth Bailie, RN | Limestone College |

Masters Recipients

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| 1986 | Matilda Castillo | University of Louisville |
| 1987 | Erik J. Dasbach | University of Wisconsin, Madison |
| 1988 | A. Charles Platt, FHIMSS | University of Missouri |
| 1989 | A. Charles Platt, FHIMSS | University of Missouri |
| 1990 | Sophie LaPierre | Georgia Institute of Technology |
| 1991 | Sophie LaPierre | Georgia Institute of Technology |
| 1992 | Robin Mackenroth | University of California, Los Angeles |
| 1993 | Mark Tabladillo | Georgia Institute of Technology |
| 1995 | Julia A. Hagle | University of Alabama, Birmingham |
| 1996 | Steven Escamilla | University of Wisconsin, Madison |
| 1997 | Michael F. Furukawa MSHS | Georgia Institute of Technology |
| 1998 | Jane R. Schubart | University of Virginia Medical Center |
| 1999 | Tamara Pomerantz | Medical University of South Carolina |
| 2000 | Adam Wilcox, PhD | Columbia University |
| 2001 | Eneida A. Mendonca, MD | Columbia University |
| 2001 | Elizabeth Crowell | Georgia Institute of Technology |
| 2002 | Mark D. Hiatt, CPHIMS | University of Virginia |
| 2003 | Jamie R. Kirsch | University of Missouri |
| 2003 | Rick A. Moore, Capt, USAF MSC, FACHE, CPHIMS | University of Alabama Birmingham (UAB) |
| 2004 | Smitha Sagaram | University of Texas-Houston |

PhD Recipients

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| 2002 | James H. Ford II, FHIMSS, FACHE | University of Wisconsin, Madison |
| 2003 | Caterina E. Lasome, MSN, MBA, MHA, RN | University of Maryland |
| 2003 | Eun-Shim Nahm, MS, RN | University of Maryland |
| 2004 | Patricia Dykes, RN | Columbia University School of Nursing |

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| 2004 | Melissa Kram | North Dakota State University |
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Completed applications must be postmarked no later than October 31st.
Winners will be notified no later than December 31st.

Please send completed application to:

HIMSS Foundation
 230 East Ohio, Suite 500
 Chicago, IL 60611-3269