

## Scholarship Application

### Healthcare Information Management Systems

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

### Management Systems

- Richard P. Covert, Ph.D., FHIMSS Scholarship



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### 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 are focused on scholastic achievement and demonstration of leadership potential, including communication skills and participation in HIMSS activities.

The \$5000 scholarships are awarded to the student 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.

### Qualifications

All applicants must fulfill these minimum requirements:

- The applicant must be a member of HIMSS
- The 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 winners are ineligible.

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# Application for HIMSS Foundation Scholarships

## 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:  HIMS  Management

## Educational Data

Undergraduate  Master's  PhD

Program Name \_\_\_\_\_

Academic Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Department \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

## Future Course Work (if applicable)

Please identify targeted core courses for your upcoming academic year.

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## 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 packet.
- 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 listed 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 symposiums 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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Were you a presenter?  Yes  No Topic \_\_\_\_\_

### Leadership and Community Involvement

Please list any personal achievements or extracurricular involvement.

- 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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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: \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
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### 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

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 PhD 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 \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**Completed applicants 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

### Past Scholarship Winners

#### Undergraduate Recipients

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

#### Masters Recipients

1986	Matilda Castillo	University of Louisville
1987	Erik J. Dasbach	University of Wisconsin, Madison
1988	A. Charles Platt, FHIMSS	University of Missouri
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1990	Sophie LaPierre	Georgia Institute of Technology
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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)

#### PhD Recipients

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