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Establishing a Named Student Scholarship Within the APhA Foundation

Background

During the year 2000, the APhA Auxiliary decided to cease operations and transfer their assets to the APhA Foundation. Previously the Auxiliary had conducted the Irene Parks Student Loan Fund that provided \$500 loans to pharmacy students. Wishing to maintain a focus on students, the Auxiliary and Foundation reached an agreement to convert the loan program into a student scholarship fund that would be titled the *APhA Auxiliary/APhA Foundation Pharmacy Student Scholarship*. The APhA Foundation Board of Directors voted in June 2011 to rename the scholarship program *The APhA Foundation Student Scholarship Program*.

The scholarships look to recognize those students who choose to invest their time through active involvement with their school's APhA-ASP chapter to help shape the future of the profession while managing the demands of a full-time pharmacy curriculum.

General eligibility requirements include:

- Recipients must have completed at least one academic year in the professional sequence of courses and have earned a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.75 on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent grading system) in required pharmacy courses.
- Recipients must be active members in the APhA Academy of Students of Pharmacy (APhA-ASP).
- Recipients must have demonstrated leadership skills through organizational and/or project involvement with the APhA-ASP chapter or some other APhA-ASP initiative.

Scholarship Awards

For the 2006 -2007 cycle nine scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$1000 each, one scholarship for each of the eight APhA-ASP regions and an at-large scholarship. In the future scholarships will be added to the region in which they are designated by the donor. In 2012, twelve total student scholarships will be distributed.

Named Scholarship Opportunities

The *APhA Foundation Student Scholarship Program* contains named scholarships recognizing gifts made to this fund by individuals or groups who wish to support the development of future leaders within the profession. Currently there are twelve named scholarships, one recognizing Samuel H. Kalman and the others recognizing Paul A. Pumpian, Bob Gibson, Gloria Francke,



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The Boyle Family, Marvin and Joanel Dyrstad, Mary Louise Andersen, George F. Archambault, Charlie Thomas, Col Jerry Ross, and the APhA Foundation/APhA Auxiliary Scholarship.

Process

1) To establish a named scholarship, a letter of intent should be submitted to the APhA Board of Directors with a brief biographical sketch/background of the individual(s) and a statement of intent to establish the scholarship.

2) Named scholarships can be created for gifts or pledges of \$25,000 or more. Scholarships will be awarded when 50% of the amount has been received during the next eligible scholarship cycle. Ideally the amount should be paid within two years, if this does not occur the amount may be transferred to the general scholarship fund. All gifts to the APhA Foundation are tax deductible.

Recognition

Establishing a named scholarship is a great way to honor an individual and continue their legacy for future generations of pharmacy students. For each named scholarship that is established, the following recognition will take place:

- Announcements related to the scholarship program will list the named scholarships, including a brief statement to recognize those who created the scholarship if applicable.
- The APhA Foundation will create a biographical sketch, including a photograph for the individual that will be:
 - Posted on the Student Scholarship Section of the Foundation's website
 - Mailed to the scholarship recipient for that year
- A national press release will be distributed for each named scholarship when it is established.
- An article announcing the named scholarship will appear in the APhA Foundation E-News.
- A certificate, suitable for framing, will be developed by the APhA Foundation that can be presented to the individual or individual's family whose scholarship bears their name.



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