

HIMSS SOUTH CAROLINA CHAPTER

SC HIMSS Scholarship Program

Purpose: To provide financial assistance and recognition to a qualified student in an accredited program in health management, health information technology, management programs with a health focus, or technology programs with a health focus.

Program Structure, Eligibility and Award Criteria: A (\$3,000) scholarship will be offered to one student in an undergraduate or graduate program.

1. A Scholarship will be offered to a student in the following types of programs:
 - a. Health information management/technology
 - b. Health management, with a focus on information management/technology
 - c. Clinical programs with a focus on information management/technology
 - d. Health science programs with a focus on information management/technology
 - e. Business management programs with a focus on health information management/technology
 - f. Management science programs with a focus on health information management/technology
 - g. Other types of degree programs that emphasize health information management/technology
2. Participation is open to students who are enrolled in a degree program in an accredited college or university.
3. Eligibility for a scholarship award will be based upon the following criteria:
 - a. Individual submission of scholarship application
 - b. Two letters of professional recommendations accompany the application. These should be from individuals that are familiar with the student's work such as a work supervisor or college professor
 - c. A short essay (up to two pages) that addresses:
 - d. why information management/technology is important in healthcare today,
 - e. why the student has chosen the field, and
 - f. discussion of a major issue facing the health industry and how information technology can address the issue
 - g. Grade point average at or above 3.0. The most recent, official transcript must be included with the scholarship application.
4. Criteria for Evaluation of application and award of the scholarship will include, at a minimum:

- a. Meets or exceeds grade point criterion
- b. Quality of recommendations
- c. Quality of applicant's essay
- d. Student is a member of SC HIMSS

2023 Scholarship Schedule:

Activity	Date
Scholarship applications announcement	March 30, 2023
Scholarship applications due	April 17, 2023
Select award recipient	May 10, 2023
Notify award recipient	May 10, 2023
Announce to Chapter	May 15, 2023
Remit scholarship to school	By July, 2023

Contact Information: Awardees will be notified by mail and/or email. Please send a completed application to the SC HIMSS Scholarship member via electronic submission:

Email: info@schimss.org

Awardee Benefit: In addition to receiving a monetary scholarship, the awardee will be designated as Student Liaison with a seat on the SC HIMSS Board. The Board values the scholarship experience you just had and will ask that you be a member of the Scholarship committee. You will be obligated to participate in monthly board calls/meetings for at least 50% of the year and serve as a member of the selection committee for the subsequent year.

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Application for the South Carolina Chapter of HIMSS Scholarship

Application Checklist

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Completed application | <input type="checkbox"/> Official transcript(s) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Essay | <input type="checkbox"/> Two letters of professional recommendation |

Personal Data

Name _____

Permanent Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Mailing/School Address (if different from above) _____

Current Educational Enrollment

- ☐ Undergraduate ☐ Graduate

Name _____

Academic
Advisor _____ Department _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

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. Please complete the following information:

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Institution _____ Degree Program _____

Dates of Attendance _____ Overall GPA _____ Major _____

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HIMSS Involvement

Are you a member of HIMSS and/or SC HIMSS? ____ Yes ____ No

If awarded the scholarship, are you willing to serve as the Student Liaison for SC HIMSS?

____ Yes ____ No

Please list any other involvement you had with HIMSS and/or SC HIMSS:

Essay

Submit a 1-2-page, double-spaced essay that addresses:

- I. Why information management/technology is important in healthcare today,
- II. Why the student has chosen the field, and
- III. Discussion of a major issue facing the health industry and how information technology can address the issue.

Personal Statement

I certify that 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 property of SC HIMSS and will not be returned. I understand that the scholarship will be sent directly to the school I am enrolled in. I agree to the terms in serving as Student Liaison with the SC HIMSS board.

Respectfully submitted by:

Signature _____

Date ____ / ____ / ____