

SCHIMSS Scholarship Program

Purpose: To provide financial assistance and recognition to qualified students in accredited programs 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 two students in an undergraduate or graduate program.

1. Scholarships will be offered to students in the following types of programs:
 - a. Health information management/technology
 - b. Health management, with a focus in information management/technology
 - c. Clinical programs with a focus in information management/technology
 - d. Health science programs with a focus in information management/technology
 - e. Business management programs with a focus in health information management/technology
 - f. Management science programs with a focus in health information management/technology
 - g. Other types of degree programs which 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 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:
 - 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
 - d. 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 scholarship will include, at a minimum:
 - a. Meets or exceeds grade point criterion
 - b. Quality of recommendations
 - c. Quality of applicants essay
 - d. Student is a member of SCHIMSS

2018 Scholarship Schedule

| Activity | Date |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| • Scholarship applications due | May 25, 2018 |
| • Select award recipient | June 13, 2018 |
| • Notify award recipient | June 14, 2018 |
| • Announce to Chapter | June 15, 2018 |
| • Remit scholarship to school | By June 29, 2018 |

Contact Information

Awardees will be notified by mail and/or email. Please send completed application to the SCHIMSS Scholarship member via electronic submission or postal service:

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| Name: | Jim Stritzinger |
| Address | PO Box 11695 |
| City, State, Zip | Columbia, SC 29211 |
| Email address | jstritzinger@sc.edu |

Awardee Benefit

In addition to receiving a monetary scholarship the awardee will be designated as Student Liaison with a seat on the SCHIMSS Board. The Board values the scholarship experience you just had and will ask that you be a member of the Scholarship committee.



Application for the South Carolina Chapter of HIMSS Scholarship

Application Checklist

- Completed application
- Official transcript(s)
- Essay
- 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:



Institution _____ Degree Program _____

Dates of Attendance _____ Overall GPA _____ Major _____

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HIMSS Involvement

Are you a member of HIMSS and/or SCHIMSS? ___Yes ___No

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

___Yes ___No

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

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 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 property of SCHIMSS and will not be returned. I understand that the scholarship will be sent directly to the school I am enrolled in.

Respectfully submitted by:

Signature _____

Date ____ / ____ / ____