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Chicago Chapter

ISACA Chicago Chapter 2020-2021 Scholarship Master Application

Scholarship Overview

Through the generous support of our members, the ISACA Chicago Chapter has established a scholarship fund to provide financial assistance to those interested in pursuing educational opportunities in the field of information systems (IS), IS Governance, IS Audit, IS Compliance, IS Security or related studies (i.e., hereafter, the "Scholarship"). Individuals interested in applying for the Scholarship must complete the application and related information requirements as noted below. If you have any questions regarding this Scholarship application, please email:

academic_relations@chicago.isacachapter.org indicate "2020 ISACA Chicago Chapter Scholarship" in the subject line.

Scholarship Award

The ISACA Chicago Chapter is allocating \$4,000 for the 2020-2021 academic year Scholarship fund. Two (2) \$2000 awards will be available for individual Scholarships. The Scholarship awards will be made payable in the name of the recipient.

Scholarship Eligibility Criteria

The ISACA Chicago Chapter has established the following eligibility criteria for the 2020-2021 Scholarship awards:

1. All candidates must be pursuing either a master's or higher degree.
2. All awards can be used for full or part-time programs.
3. The Scholarship award is applicable for one school year term only (2020-2021). However, recipients may re-apply in subsequent years.
4. Students must be enrolled for the 2020-2021 academic year, focusing on information systems (IS), IS governance, IS audit, IS compliance, IS security or related studies.
5. Students must be enrolled in an accredited university in the state of Illinois or show proof of permanent residence in Illinois for use at a school not located in the state of Illinois.
6. Students must demonstrate an interest in the fields of information systems (IS), IS governance, IS audit, IS compliance, IS security or related studies.
7. Minimum 3.25 (out of 4.0) Grade Point Average (GPA).
8. Completion of the scholarship application form, including supporting information.
9. Scholarship awards will be granted without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, disability, or national origin.
10. International students are welcome to apply.

Scholarship Procedures and Selection Criteria

The Scholarship application form and supporting documentation must be submitted electronically to the ISACA Chicago Scholarship Committee (✉ email address > academic_relations@chicago.isacachapter.org no later than 11:59 pm US Central on **September 30, 2020**. Late submissions will not be accepted. All decisions made by the ISACA Chicago Scholarship Committee shall be considered final. Final award decisions will be made no later than November 30, 2020.

The ISACA Chicago Scholarship Committee will review and evaluate all applications and supporting documentation and will award the Scholarships based on:

- ✓ Individuals that exhibit a sincere desire for further education or training in the fields of information systems (IS), IS governance, IS audit, IS compliance, IS security or related studies;
- ✓ Individual achievement as evidenced through participation in outside interests and activities, leadership roles and/or work experience;
- ✓ Grade point average and/or academic credentials; and,
- ✓ Other criteria as deemed appropriate by the ISACA Chicago Scholarship Committee.

Section 1 – Personal Information

Name:	
Campus Address:	Permanent Address:
Campus Phone:	Home or Cell Phone:
Email Address:	

Section 2 – Academic Information

University Name: (Undergraduate)	
GPA:	
Major(s):	
Expected Graduation Date:	
Number of Credit Hours Completed:	

University Name: (Graduate)	
GPA:	
Major(s):	
Expected Graduation Date:	
Number of Credit Hours Completed:	

Section 3 – Activities and Interests

A. List and briefly describe any relevant work experience:

Position and Responsibilities	Employer	Dates of Employment

B. List and briefly describe *volunteer* activities in which you have been involved:

Organization Name	Position Held (Dates)	Description

C. List *honors* or *academic awards* you have received (e.g. scholarly activities, research, etc.):

Award/Honor	Institution/Organization	Date(s)

D. List and briefly describe your *extracurricular* activities (e.g. memberships in organizations, sports, etc.):

Organization Name	Position Held (Dates)	Description

Section 4 – Short Essays *(limit your responses to 300 words per question – you may use this form and the text boxes below to answer, or you may attach a separate document)*

A. Describe how any of the above experiences have influenced your decision to pursue a career in the fields of information systems (IS), IS governance, IS audit, IS compliance, IS security or related studies:

B. What are your future career aspirations or goals? How will receiving the ISACA Scholarship aid in accomplishing this?

C. What emerging IT security threats do you think should be the greatest concern to corporations managing information systems? What actions should IT managers take to address these concerns?

D. In your opinion, what attributes or defining characteristics associated with IS governance must change in order to adapt to and respond to today's changing marketplace and the increased demands being placed on Chief Information Officers (CIOs), Chief Audit Executives (CAEs) or other "C-level" executives?

E. Is there any other information that we should know about you? This is your opportunity to include information that is not contained in other areas of the application. *Please be specific.*

Section 5 – Release of Information

I authorize the release of all Scholarship materials to the members of the ISACA Chicago Scholarship Committee and its appointees. I certify that I have read and complied with the directions and requirements for applying for the ISACA Chicago 2020-2021 Scholarship. I hereby assert that all information submitted is accurate and complete. I also understand that I may be contacted by the ISACA Chicago Scholarship committee or an appointee during this process for purposes of further clarifying information submitted and to respond to any additional questions that the ISACA Chicago Scholarship Committee has as it relates to my submission.

Signature of Applicant *Date*

Section 6 – Scholarship Application Submission Check List

- Application form
- Two (2) current letters of recommendation

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