

Scholarship and Professional Development Awards

SCHOLARSHIP

The St. Louis Chapter of the American Society of Safety Professionals will award up to three scholarships in the value of up to \$2,000 each with the purpose of supporting full-time undergraduate or graduate students preparing for a career in a safety, health, environmental or closely related field.

Funding for the award will be obtained through the Annual Membership / Scholarship Golf Outing, with the proceeds from that event designated for scholarship funding. Total and distributive annual funding is subject to Board review and approval.

Applications for these awards will be solicited in the fall of each year, with an application deadline of November 1. Recipients will be determined at the November Board Meeting and notified soon after. Awards will be granted at the Member Appreciation Night in January.

Eligibility:

Successful applicants must meet all of the following criteria and submit an application by the December 1 deadline:

- Be enrolled as a full-time student pursuing an undergraduate degree or a student pursuing a graduate degree in safety, health or environmental field or a closely related field.
- Maintain a GPA of at least 3.0 out of 4.0 for undergraduate students, and 3.5 out of 4.0 for graduate students.
- Complete and submit the ASSP award application form (including the following supporting documentation):
 - A transcript that verifies academic standing and GPA;

- A safety faculty Letter of Recommendation (250 words or less);
- A short narrative essay (300 words or less) describing why you are pursuing a degree in occupational safety and health (or a closely related field), and how the award will be used to improve your education (or career goal).

Granting of the Award

The following hierarchy shall be used to determine award winners for these scholarships for all applicants who meet the eligibility criteria described above:

- Immediate family (spouse, children and step-children) of St. Louis chapter members, regardless of the location of the school seeking their undergraduate degree;
- Immediate family (spouse, children and step-children) of St. Louis chapter members, regardless of the location of the school seeking their graduate degree;
- ASSP St. Louis chapter members, regardless of the location of the school seeking an advanced degree;
- 4. Students attending school in or near our service area;

Administration of the award

The current chapter board, including the scholarship committee chair, will handle administration, which includes:

- Advertising the awards;
- Accepting applications;
- Reviewing applications in accordance with the above eligibility criteria;
- Granting awards in accordance with the above hierarchy;
- Notifying the award winners;
- Disbursing the award checks.



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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The St. Louis Chapter Professional Development Awards provides financial assistance to ASSP - St. Louis Chapter members who wish to advance their careers through the completion of certifications.

Awards will be available to qualified applicants who wish to apply for funding. The award will be up to \$500.00 per award. The number of awards will be based on available funds approved by the Executive Committee.

Awards will be considered for the following application, exams fees, preparation classes or preparation materials:

Board of Certified Safety Professionals

– ASP, CSP, OHST, CHST, STS and CIT

American Society of Safety Professionals –

Executive Program in Safety Management and Certificate in Safety Management

All Applications will be reviewed by the St. Louis Chapter Scholarship Chairperson and presented to the ASSP - St. Louis Chapter Executive Committee who will act as an ad hoc Award & Selection Committee.

Award recipients will be notified by mail and their names listed in the ASSP - St. Louis Chapter Newsletter.

Rules for Professional Development Award:

- You must be a member of the St. Louis Chapter for one year to be eligible for the award.
- Professional Development applications must be submitted within 90 days of the incurred expense.
- Awards will be granted to qualified applicants on a first come, first served basis, based on available funds approved by the Executive Committee.
- Incomplete award applications will be disqualified.
- Only one award per certification application, exam, preparation course or preparation materials.
- Only one award per year per applicant.

Reimbursement

To obtain reimbursement an original receipt for the award requested and proof of completion of the prep course or exam taken must be mailed to:

> Rob Miller, CSP, OHST, CUSP, CSC, CIT ASSP - STL Scholarship Chairman 7090 Stony Ridge Rd. St. Louis, MO 63129