Policies for All AAAF Scholarships

The AAA Foundation currently offers five types of scholarships for audiology students. These are open to all students (except those prohibited by the policies below). Please use this information to select the most appropriate opportunity.

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<tr>
<th>Scholarship</th>
<th>Award decision based on:</th>
<th>Amount</th>
<th>Awards per year</th>
<th>Application due date</th>
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<tr>
<td>SAA Student Leader Scholarship</td>
<td>A student who shows exceptional leadership in service to the profession of audiology</td>
<td>$1,000</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>October 1</td>
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<td>Empowering Students Scholarship</td>
<td>A student who shows exceptional promise as a clinical audiologist</td>
<td>$5,000</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>April 30</td>
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<td>Judith Blumsack Scholarship</td>
<td>A student who demonstrates outstanding clinical skills and who shows promise in terms of clinical research and service to the professional community and/or the community at large</td>
<td>$1,000</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>April 30</td>
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<td>Sadanand Singh Memorial Scholarship</td>
<td>A minority and/or international student who shows exceptional promise in audiology research</td>
<td>$1,000</td>
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<td>April 30</td>
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<td>Patient Quality of Life Scholarship</td>
<td>A student who shows exceptional promise in providing outstanding patient care as a clinical audiologist</td>
<td>$3,000</td>
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Policies and considerations:

1. Unless otherwise noted, individual student scholarships are open to any AuD, PhD, or AuD/PhD student in audiology who will be enrolled at a U.S. university when the grant is awarded except those graduating in December of the current application year for Fall semester scholarships.

2. University audiology programs may nominate/recommend only one student for each scholarship opportunity annually.

3. Students are encouraged to discuss these opportunities with department chairs and/or SAA chapter advisors, and may self-nominate; however, if more than one student from the same university program self-nominates for the same scholarship opportunity, the university may only recommend one student.

4. Students are only eligible to receive one scholarship award per academic year (i.e., August through July annually), although they may apply/be nominated for more than one scholarship.

5. Students are only eligible to receive a specific scholarship one time, although they are eligible to receive a different scholarship in subsequent years.

6. Effective September 2013, no past or current member of the National SAA Board is eligible to apply for the SAA Student Leader Scholarship.

7. These policies are subject to change; as such, students and university programs are encouraged to visit the Foundation Web site for the most up-to-date information on scholarships.
2018-19 Patient Quality of Life Scholarship Application

Application Deadline: April 30, 2018 at Midnight ET

The American Academy of Audiology Foundation’s Patient Quality of Life Scholarship of $3,000 (each) will be awarded to three students who show exceptional promise as a clinical audiologist as evidenced by the student’s resume, letters of recommendation, and personal statement. The Patient Quality of Life Scholarship will be awarded only to a fulltime graduate student in audiology (AuD, PhD, AuD/PhD) in good standing at a U.S. university during the 2017-18 academic year. Each department may nominate one student for this scholarship.

A committee of audiologists will review application materials, and award notification will be made by August 15, 2018.

Applicants are required to submit the following:

1. Completed application (attached)
2. Resume/CV: Include research and clinical accomplishments as well as academic and service experience. Please include your grade point average, as well as the university’s grading scale (i.e., 3.5 with maximum possible of 4 or 3.9 with maximum possible of 5).
3. Two letters of recommendation from department faculty or research advisor. Must address:
   a. How long the writer has known the applicant and the nature of the relationship with the applicant
   b. The qualities, particularly with respect to patient-focused skills and holistic care that provide the basis for this candidate being nominated by the department
   c. How the applicant’s clinical ability compares to other students whom the writer has known at the same stage of the clinical program
   d. How the applicant's academic performance and ability to apply academic coursework in clinical situations
4. Personal statement: The personal statement should not exceed 750 words and must address:
   a. Describe qualities you believe are characteristic of an outstanding audiologist and discuss your personal goals for becoming a clinician and the impact your work will have on a patient’s quality of life
   b. Without violating patient confidentiality, describe a specific situation in which you feel that your patient-focused skills were particularly beneficial for your patient, and also reflect on ways in which your patient-focused skills in this situation could have been improved.

NOTE: Please read the submission criteria carefully. ONLY send the information requested above; applicants who send unrequested documentation may be disqualified from consideration.

Scholarship recipients who are in attendance at AAA 2018 are strongly encouraged to attend Foundation functions during the meeting to meet supporters of the Foundation’s scholarship programs.

For more information, contact Rissa Duque-Yangson, Foundation Manager at 703.226.1049 or ryangson@audiology.org.
2018-19 Patient Quality of Life Scholarship  
Application Deadline: April 30, 2018 at Midnight ET

First Name: ______________________   Middle: __________________   Last: __________________

Address: _____________________________________________________________________________

City: ________________________________   State: _________   Zip________________

Phone: ________________________________   Email: __________________________________________

University Name: ________________________________   Degree Sought: ______________

Year (for 2016-17): 1st  2nd  3rd  4th  5th  6th  Anticipated Month/Year of Graduation: _____________

Race/Ethnic Background_________________   Citizenship______________________________

Department Chair/Head or Program Director (Please Circle One) Certification:

I ________________________________ (print name) have read the description of the Patient Quality of Life Scholarship program and understand that my department may nominate one student to be considered for this scholarship. I certify that ________________________________ (print name) has been nominated by our department.

Signature________________________________________________

Phone: ________________________________   Email: __________________________________________

☐ Yes, I have attached as detailed on the Application Information form:

☐ Completed application
☐ Resume/CV
☐ Letter of recommendation
☐ Personal statement

☐ Yes, I have read the attached “Policies for All AAAF Scholarships” and “Patient Quality of Life Scholarship Application Information” and agree to abide by all terms. I also understand that the AAA Foundation reserves all rights to use the information I provide in this application in any and all promotional materials.

I authorize ________________________________ (university) to release my academic records to the AAA Foundation verifying enrollment and/or academic standing.

Signature: ___________________________________________   Date: ____________________________

Email completed application to:
Rissa Duque-Yangson, Foundation Manager
ryangson@audiology.org
703-226-1049

Applicants will receive confirmation of application receipt within 48 hours of submission.