



2013 INSURANCE INDUSTRY COLLEGIATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

About IASA's Collegiate Scholarship Program

IASA's Insurance Industry Collegiate Scholarship program was established in 2009 to provide scholarships to collegiate students preparing for a career in the insurance industry. The scholarship program is targeted to aid students at the sophomore level or above who are enrolled in a university with an insurance program and whose course of study includes working toward a degree in Information Technology, Actuarial Science, Accounting or Risk Management.

IASA awards \$10,000 in scholarships annually. Scholarship winners are recognized during the IASA Annual Educational Conference and Business Show, held annually in early June.

Program Details for IASA's 2013 Scholarship

Walt Mason Scholarship (\$2,500)

For 2013, IASA is pleased to announce a named scholarship to honor a long-time supporter and volunteer of IASA, Mr. Walt Mason.

Mr. Mason proudly served as a volunteer of the IASA, holding positions as Secretary, Treasurer and as a Board Member. He was an individual who was committed to volunteerism and the benefit it provided to both the individual and to the member company he represented.

The IASA Walt Mason Scholarship Award value is \$2,500 and will be presented to the individual who, has not only excelled in coursework, but has displayed the same commitment to active volunteerism.

The goal for this year is to award over \$15,000 in scholarships with the scholarship dollars being awarded based on number of applications and overall need.

Summary of 2012 Scholarships Awarded

Supporting the education of talented and worthy students is at the heart of what IASA is all about.

"We continue to be overwhelmed by the talent of the student submissions for the scholarship and their achievements so far in pursuing a career in insurance. Our recipients have proven to be dedicated not only to academic excellence, but to the betterment of themselves, their campuses and communities through service and leadership," said Joe Pomilia, IASA Executive Director.

A total of 9 scholarships were awarded in 2012:

\$2,500 Walt Mason Scholarship:

- Saachel Parker, St. John's University, Tobin College of Business

\$2,000 Scholarships:

- Timothy Cowan, University of Wisconsin – Madison
- Katelin Robertson, University of Central Arkansas

\$1,000 Scholarship:

- Jacqueline Lukas, East Carolina University

\$500 Scholarships:

- Austin Grant, Illinois State University
- Jamie Snapp, New Mexico State University
- Patrick Ecklund, University of St. Thomas
- Steven Zappia, Utica College
- Tsion Tilahun, University of North Carolina - Charlotte

"Winning the IASA scholarship was one of the best opportunities I have had in my college career. The generous scholarship helped me financially in my senior year. Attending the IASA Annual conference was a positive start to my career. I met many wonderful people that gave me insightful advice. I cannot express how thankful I am for the experience, and I hope to be a part of an organization just like IASA in the Future."

**Jacqueline Lukas
East Carolina University, 2012**

Application Deadline: March 1, 2013
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What Our Award Winners Are Saying



"I am extremely grateful for have been awarded the Walt Mason scholarship. As a result of receiving the scholarship, I have gained exposure to another aspect of the insurance industry as well as obtained much needed funds for my education. Attending the IASA conference in San Diego was very exciting. The opportunity to speak on a panel and give my perspectives on Gen X and Gen Y workers was an honor. Networking with professionals who are established in their careers was an added benefit as well as attending the career development workshops. I am truly appreciative of this special award and the impact of my experience with IASA."

Saachel Parker - St. John's University, Tobin College of Business

"It's hard to express in words what the IASA Scholarship means to me. Through the generosity of the IASA scholarship and the donors my life has been enriched. I am able to stay in college, reach my full potential and set a good example for my son. This opportunity has given me and my son a future and we are both extremely grateful."

Katelin B. Robertson – University of Central Arkansas, 2012

"The IASA scholarship provided me the assistance to further my goal of becoming an actuary and enabled me to make valuable connections with the professors and working professionals at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. These connections led to multiple internships and now a full-time job in the insurance industry."

Timothy Cowan- University of Wisconsin - Madison, 2012 & 2011



About the IASA

The Insurance Accounting & Systems Association, Inc. (IASA) is a non-profit, education association that strives to enhance the knowledge of insurance industry professionals, and participants from similar organizations closely allied with the insurance industry by facilitating the exchange of ideas and information. IASA is one of the insurance industry's largest, and most well represented trade associations. IASA membership includes insurance companies of all types

(Property & Casualty, Life, Health, Fraternal, HMO and others) as members, as well as companies serving the insurance industry, regulators and also organizations more broadly representative of the financial services industry, including banks and investment brokerage firms. **Learn more about the IASA by visiting our website at www.iasa.org or by calling (919) 489-0991.**

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Submissions received from these Universities and Companies *

Accident Fund Insurance Company	Mississippi State University	St. John's University	University of North Carolina - Charlotte
Appalachian State University	Missouri State	St. Mary's University	University of North Carolina - Greensboro
Ball State University	Morgan State University	Temple University	University of North Texas - Denton
California State University - Fullerton	Northwood University	The University of Georgia	University of South Carolina
DeKalb Technical College	Old Dominion University	Troy University	University of St Thomas
Illinois State University	Olivet College	University of Cincinnati	University of Wisconsin - Madison
Illinois Wesleyan University	Saint Joseph's University	University of Connecticut	University of North Carolina - Charlotte

**Sample listing only. We encourage all colleges and universities with an insurance program to participate through student applications. Additionally, all IASA Member companies are encouraged to let their family, friends and interns know about the opportunity to apply for an IASA Scholarship.*

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