



STUDENT OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION

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Robert S. Juhasz, DO Innovative Leadership in Osteopathic Medicine Scholarship Application

Today's healthcare system demands the importance of innovation and creative thinking by current (and future) osteopathic physicians. Thanks to the generosity of Robert S. Juhasz, DO, the "Innovative Leadership in Osteopathic Medicine Scholarship" was created to recognize those osteopathic medical students that foster innovation and entrepreneurship in medicine and healthcare delivery; through their unique osteopathic approach in providing care to the people they are privileged to serve.

Health care environments must foster innovation, not just allowing it but actively encouraging it to happen anywhere and at every level in healthcare and medicine—from the laboratory, to the operating room, bedside, and clinics.

Robert S. Juhasz, DO, President of the American Osteopathic Association from 2014-15, is no stranger when it comes to innovation within the healthcare system. For instance, in 2005, Dr. Juhasz was part of a panel that spoke with United States President, George W. Bush about Electronic Health Records (EHR) when he chose Cleveland Clinic as one of the sites to roll out his plan to facilitate the implementation of EHR.

The applicants will be judged on a specific contribution for which they have made to today's healthcare system with regard to innovation and creativity: whether to improve quality, patient experience or affordability through a new approach or by modifying a current system for something better through a creative approach. Any questions should be brought to the SOMA Foundation Director of Scholarships and Grants.

Details of scholarship

One Osteopathic Medical Student will receive a scholarship of \$1,000 to financially assist the student in their travels to OMED. The award will be distributed during OMED Fall convention at the SOMA Foundation Donor Recognition and Awards reception October 6th. It is required to attend the **2018 OMED** in San Diego, CA.

Application Deadline: September 9th, 2018 at 11:59 PM

Please email the following as part of your scholarship application:

- **Section I: Application form**
- **Section II: Essay response**
- **Section III: Attendance Verification**
- **Letter of Recommendation** (either from school official or a supervisor knowledgeable of applicant's leadership and contributions within medicine)
- **Curriculum vitae/Resume**

Application Requirements

- SOMA Membership
- Student must be OMS I, II, III, or IV
- Commitment to innovation within medicine and leadership during medical school.
- Attendance at the 2018 OMED/SOMA Fall convention in San Diego, CA.
- Not a previous recipient of the scholarship
- Completed application packet by the deadline date

Complete the application directly at this link: <https://goo.gl/forms/Qw3mAFVcfPEhflwh2>

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If you have difficulty uploading to the site, please send an electronic copy (signed and scanned) via email to Scholarships-Grants@SOMAFoundation.org and scottrellcumber@vcom.vt.edu.

If unable to obtain electronic copies of any materials please mail them to:

SOMA Foundation
Attn: Priya Garg
142 E. Ontario St.
Chicago, IL 6061



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Section III: Attendance Verification

Official Attendance Verification

Name of Applicant _____

Mailing address _____

State _____

ZIP code _____

City _____

Alternate number _____

Phone number _____

This section is to be signed by the Associate Dean of Basic Sciences or by the person who approves time off for school conferences.

For the purposes of the scholarship requirements for the SOMA Foundation's Robert S. Juhasz Innovative Leadership in Osteopathic Award, I authorize that the following student listed above is in good academic standing and is approved to attend the 2018 OMED/SOMA Fall convention from October 6-9th in San Diego, CA.

Date _____

Signature: _____

Email the completed Verification Form as an email attachment to scholarships-grants@somafoundation.org, and scottrelcumber@vcom.vt.edu please mail with application packet to:

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