

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR ABFSE PROGRAM STUDENTS

The ABFSE is in the process of developing a database for scholarship opportunities for our students above and beyond what the ABFSE offers. We have reached out to all of the State Funeral Directors Association and the State Funeral Directors and Morticians Associations. We will be sharing that information with all of you once it is completed.

There are however, several scholarships that applications will be opening soon that we want you to know about now so you can share this information with your students.

AMERICAN BOARD OF FUNERAL SERVICE EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS

The National Scholarship Program of the ABFSE awards scholarships that generally range from \$1500 to \$2500. Scholarship funds are generated by donations from allied funeral service companies who support the work of the ABFSE accredited programs. Application deadlines are March 1st and September 1st of each year. Applications can be accessed on the ABFSE website <https://www.abfse.org> under the scholarship tab at the top of the home page.

FUNERAL SERVICE FOUNDATION

Each year up to 27 scholarships are awarded to full and part-time funeral service students. The scholarships range from \$2,500 - \$5,000. At least one scholarship is reserved for a veteran. Applications are accepted each year from February 15 – April 1 and September 15 – November 1. Applications can be found by searching Funeral Service Foundation or <https://www.funeralservicefoundation.org/scholarship-opportunities/academic-scholarships/>

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF FUNERAL SERVICE EXAMINING BOARDS

Each year the ICFSEB awards 10 NBE Scholarships (a \$570) value to students who are preparing to take the National Board Exam. Five scholarships were awarded in the fall of 2021 and five more will be awarded in the spring of 2022. The next scholarship window will open in January / February 2022. The scholarship submission form must be submitted directly by the candidate to <https://theconferenceonline.org>

ORDER OF THE GOLDEN RULE:

- 1 Scholarship for \$3,500
- 1 Scholarship for \$2,000
- 2 Scholarships for \$1,000 each
- 5 Scholarships for \$500 each

In addition, the top scholarship winner (\$3,500) will receive free airfare, accommodations and registration fee for the 2022 OGR Annual Conference (up to \$1700). The application portal will open on December 1, 2021 and deadline for applying is February 15, 2022 at <https://www.ogr.org/scholarship>

SERVICE CORPORATION INTERNATIONAL (SCI) SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

As part of its vision to promote excellence in funeral service, the Service Corporation International Scholarship Program supports 50 outstanding mortuary science students annually with over \$80,000 in scholarship awards. The top 15 finalists are invited on an all-expense paid trip to the SCI Headquarters in Houston, TX to attend a two day networking event. During that event the finalists interview with the Scholarship Selection Committee, attend presentations, and visit the National Funeral Museum. To access an application visit the scholarship web site at <https://www.sci-corp.com/careers/scholarships>

SECOND-CAREER SCHOLARSHIPS / SELECTED EDUCATIONAL

The Second-Career Scholarship Program is for individuals who aspire to work as a funeral director as a second career. Each scholarship is worth \$1,500, with up to four scholarships awarded each year— two in late June and two in late December. Scholarship awards (number and amount) are based upon availability. Normally, four scholarships of \$1,500 each are awarded annually: two for the Spring Cycle (awarded in late June) and two for the Fall Cycle (awarded in late December/early January). Only online applications are accepted. All applications must be fully completed and all required forms completed and verified as indicated. To access an application, visit the scholarship web site at: <https://www.selectedtrust.org/second-career-scholarship/>

TRADITION OF CARING MORTUARY SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP

Newcomer Funeral Service Group is committed to excellence in funeral service education. To support the growth and development of future funeral directors, we annually award \$25,000 in scholarships to mortuary science students across the country.

Scholarships are open to all students enrolled in a ABFSE accredited institution, or high school seniors who intend to enroll in a mortuary science course of study.

Scholarship amounts of \$3,500 and \$500 are awarded annually each November and will be paid directly to the recipient's institution. Applications are accepted from June to October each year. For more specific information on dates or our scholarship program please visit, <https://www.newcomer.com/scholarship/>, or send an email to scholarship@newcomer.com.

Additionally, inquire of your individual state and local associations for scholarship awards which may be available to you.