ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

Purpose
The mission of the IU Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Alumni Association (“GLBTAA”) is to improve the quality of life for GLBT students, faculty, staff and alumni of Indiana University on all eight campuses. In furtherance of its mission, the GLBTAA supports students who are academically strong, as well as active in promoting diversity, tolerance and social justice. All academic scholarships are administered by the Board of Directors (“Board”) of the GLBTAA and are awarded in the Board’s sole discretion. Use the attached form to apply for an academic scholarship. Please do not use the attached form to apply for an emergency scholarship.

Eligibility
Any full-time or part-time student enrolled at any IU campus may apply for an academic scholarship. Scholarships will be awarded to students based upon academic achievement, career goals, financial need, leadership experience, community service and extracurricular activities. Involvement in activities promoting diversity and raising awareness of GLBT and related issues on the student’s campus or in his or her community will be carefully reviewed by the Board. While there is no GPA minimum requirement, the student’s entire academic achievement will be carefully reviewed. Preference will be given to undergraduate students, but consideration may also be given to graduate students. Applications must contain a supporting letter of recommendation from a friend, faculty or staff member. Recipients must be willing to have their names, biographies and pictures published in various GLBTAA publications.

Application Process
Students may apply for either the fall or spring semester of the academic year. Applications for the fall semester must be received by April 15, and applications for the spring semester must be received by November 15. Faxed applications are acceptable. Applications not received or
postmarked on or before the due dates will not be considered. All applications are due at the following:

IU Alumni Association
IU GLBTAA Scholarship
1000 East 17th Street
Bloomington, IN 47408
812-855-8266 (fax)

**Award Amount**

Awards are allocated on a semester basis. The maximum scholarship award is $1,000 per semester. An individual student may not receive more than two scholarship awards, meaning that the maximum number of awards is two per student and the maximum amount payable to any one student is $2,000. The Board, in its sole discretion, may elect to award a student applicant less than $1,000 for a semester. A scholarship application must be submitted for a semester only; an application for the entire academic year will not be considered. The number of academic scholarships to be awarded for any semester will be determined by the Board and will depend, in part, on the total number of all scholarships awarded (including the GLBTAA emergency scholarships) and the GLBTAA fundraising efforts.

**Contact Information**

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact:

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