



SGNA Empowering Diversity in the GI Profession Scholarship

What is the SGNA Empowering Diversity in the GI Profession Scholarship?

The SGNA Empowering Diversity in the GI Profession Scholarship is intended to increase diversity and inclusion within the GI profession by financially supporting SGNA members from underrepresented racial and ethnic backgrounds, gender identities, sexual orientations and/or those who have been impacted by disability.

The scholarship program is designed to support nurses or associates working in gastroenterology who wish to continue their education as follows:

- For those pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree, such as an Associate's Degree, BSN, MSN, or PhD, from an accredited college or university, funds of \$10,000 for a full-time student or \$5,000 to a part-time student (taking a minimum of three credit hours per semester) will be presented to recipients.
- For GI professionals pursuing a certification, certificate or non-university/collegiate educational program related to the GI profession, such as the CGRN, CFER and/or AGTS, funds of up to \$2,500 will be awarded to support pursuit of that program.

Scholarships will be awarded each spring to members who meet the criteria. Funds can be used to cover tuition or registration costs, study materials, textbooks or other expenses related to education. Scholarship funds will be sent to successful applications by check.

Eligibility

You may be eligible for an Empowering Diversity in the GI Profession Scholarship if:

1. You are a current SGNA member.
2. You are from an underrepresented group.
3. For degree seekers: You have completed at least one semester in an accredited university or college degree program with an earned GPA of at least 3.0 (by the time the application is submitted), or you have been accepted to that program to begin in the following term or semester.
4. For those pursuing other forms of education or certification: You have registered for and can provide verification of your forthcoming participation in the exam or educational course.
5. You consent to SGNA publishing name and title, if selected for the award, in our promotional materials.

You are ineligible if:

1. You have previously received the Empowering Diversity in the GI Profession Scholarship from SGNA.
2. You are a member of the SGNA Board of Directors.

Guidelines for Completion

Any individual interested in applying for this educational scholarship must complete the application and return via email, by June 4, 2021.

A completed application includes:

- Completed Scholarship Application Form (Including Essay Submission)
- Official Transcript or Acceptance Letter (Degree seekers) or Registration Confirmation (Other Education)
- Proof of current SGNA Membership

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SGNA Empowering Diversity in the GI Profession Scholarship Application

Please type or print the information requested below:

Name and Credentials: _____

Name of University or College (degree seekers): _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Home address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Essay Questions:

1. In 300-500 words, briefly explain your career goals and how you plan to use this scholarship to achieve them.

2. In 300-500 words, (a) Briefly explain what diversity, equity and inclusion means to you and how it personally affects your life, and, if applicable (b) briefly explain your need for this scholarship.

Applications must be received by 11:59 p.m. (CDT) June 4, 2021.

Complete this form and email to SGNA (info@sgna.org). If you have questions about the program or application process, please email or call SGNA at info@sgna.org or 312.321.5165.

I understand that, if I receive an SGNA Empowering Diversity in the GI Profession Scholarship, I am required to apply funds received toward expenses related to my completion of an accredited degree program or educational program (including certification) consistent with my application.

Signature _____

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