

Pediatric Hydrocephalus Foundation Reagan Sloane Shanley Scholarship

Scholarship & Research Internship Grant Application

Funding is available to young investigators seeking to advance the practical understanding of Hydrocephalus and its possible cures/work-arounds. This is open to incoming or currently enrolled students in academic and/or research institutions in the United States. It is also available to research organizations/practices, and hospitals to cover internship grants directly focused on advancing the understanding of practical solutions for Hydrocephalus.

The purpose of this Grant is to encourage students and researchers in the applied sciences to explore/find practical solutions to help alleviate hydrocephalus, a debilitating condition with no known cure; only life-long work arounds. Predominant mechanical options are over 50 years old, (shunt in the brain), and have many points of potential failure. We believe that there are new, better devices/techniques that can be developed by this generation's technical minds. We hope to encourage students and practitioners to put their considerable talents toward answers that will make life possible, and better for millions of people.

Overhead or indirect costs *are not* supported by this Scholarship.

Student scholarship – is available to applicants with an interest in the discipline of neuroscience and/or engineering and have an understanding and/or current interest in hydrocephalus, cerebral spinal fluid & the brain. The maximum funding request per application is \$10,000 per year, (up to a 3-year commitment with re-approval each year).

Research Internship – requests must be made by the research organization or hospital for a new internship fully dedicated to Hydrocephalus or related brain conditions. The Grant is available to practices/research organizations with a predominant emphasis on neuro-conditions. The maximum funding request per application is \$10,000 per year, (up to a 3-year commitment with re-approval each year).

The Pediatric Hydrocephalus Foundation applauds your efforts and dedication in the medical, scientific or engineering field. We work daily with various professionals in a collaborative effort toward advancing recognition and understanding of this incurable brain condition. We are grateful for your interest in our mission and your submission of this scholarship to help us offer hope to the patients in the Hydrocephalus community.

Funding will be awarded to the selected candidates during one of the following distribution cycles; April or October.

The format for submitting proposals is outlined below.

Letter of Intent

Submit a one page Letter of Intent summarizing the reason for the request.

For students seeking a *Scholarship* this should include:

- Applicant name
- Degree(s) currently registered for at institution
- Institution they have already been accepted to
- Short essay written by the applicant demonstrating their interest in the area of neuro-conditions or Hydrocephalus.
- Include two letters of reference: one professional and one personal
- Candidate must be 18 years of age or older

For institutions/organizations seeking an *Internship Grant* this should include:

- Institution/organization's name
- Area of medical focus for the institution/organization
- Short essay outlining the work the internship will cover. What is the general hypothesis for the work? What will the person do/investigate during the internship? What is the benefit of the work?
- Internship candidates must be 18 years of age or older

Funding

Indirect and overhead costs *are not* supported by this program.

The funding period is for a maximum of 12 months (or the duration of an Internship not to exceed 12 months) and must be for a standard school year or internship window (no mid-term grants will be awarded). The maximum scholarship amount allotted will be \$10,000 with a commitment of up to 3 years, if applicable. Maximum internship amount will be \$10,000.

- An approval for a Scholarship renewal will require proof from the institution's administration that the student is still enrolled; received at minimum, a 3.0 GPA, (out of 4.0), the previous year and is still pursuing the discipline/degree listed in the application.
- Student will submit a yearly progress report to show their progress/accomplishments in their area of focus as part of the yearly renewal criteria.
- An automatic review of the commitment will be conducted if candidate transfers during commitment period.
- Commitments will be canceled immediately if candidate ends their enrollment or changes degrees, or if the institution changes focus of intern work away from neuro-science.
- Scholarship/Grant is made payable only to the institution/organization.

Submitting Application

You can email, fax or mail your completed application.

- Email: grantprograms@hydrocephaluskids.org
- Fax: (847) 589-1250
- Mail: PHF Inc, Grant Programs, 76 Main Street, Suite 202, Woodbridge, NJ 07095



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Scholarship Request Form

be filled out by Students seekin	g scholarship funds	s for schooling	
Applicant University/ Institution			
Title of Application			
Applicant/Student Name			
Applicant Email			
Applicant Phone			
Degree of Applicant			
Department of Degree			
What Best Fits Area of Study – Check box	Engineering	Neuro-Science	Other:
Year of Study		Years Remaining	
Scholarship \$ request			
To the state of the state of			
Institution Administrator			
Administrator Email			
Institution Address			
City, State, Zip			
Institution Phone			
Institution Fax			
Applicant Signature:			



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Letter of Intent to support Scholarship Request

Applicant's name:	
Degree(s) currently registered:	
Institution:	

Please write a short essay demonstrating your interest in the area of neuro-conditions or Hydrocephalus. Why does this area interest you both now and post-graduation, and what do you hope to accomplish in your field?