



Scholars Competition

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The Louisiana-Mississippi Golf Course Superintendents Association is a nonprofit organization committed to advancing environmental and scientific developments in golf course management, providing educational opportunities for superintendents and turfgrass students, preserving the history of the profession and supporting the overall mission of the GCSAA. The goal of the LMGCSA Scholars Competition is to identify and recognize outstanding students who plan careers in golf course management or a related field.

Awards

LMGCSA Scholars receive a scholarship award based on their final ranking in the competition. (Note: Students are NOT required to submit a financial aid statement). Scholarship recipient will be notified by December 10th.

Criteria for Selection

Applications are reviewed by the LMGCSA Scholarship Committee and are evaluated based on the criteria listed below without regard to race, sex, creed, age or national origin. Awards are for one academic year and previous applicants may reapply as long as they still meet all eligibility requirements. The LMGCSA Scholarship Committee evaluates each application on:

- Academic excellence
- Appropriate career preparation
- Potential to make an outstanding professional contributions

Eligibility

To be eligible for the competition, a student must:

- Be an undergraduate student
- Have completed the first year (24 credit hours or equivalent) in a program related to golf course management
- Be currently enrolled in an accredited two, three, four or five-year golf course management or related program
- Seniors graduating prior to the application deadline of December 1st are ineligible.
- Submit the entire application by the deadline of November 1st including: Scholarship Application, Advisor's Report, Superintendent's Report, Official Transcript and Applicants' Essay.

How to apply

Scholarship application forms may be obtained from university turfgrass advisors, the LMGCCSA Scholarship Committee or the LMGCSA office. Students must complete the application form, supply official transcripts from educational institutions attended since high school and provide recommendations from collegiate advisors and superintendents using the forms included with the application. All requested information should be submitted to the LMGCSA under one cover. This application must be completed and received in its entirety to be eligible for consideration by December 1st.

Mail application to:

Louisiana-Mississippi Golf Course Superintendents Association
Post Office Box 2323
Auburn, AL 36831
info@LMGCSA.com
Phone: 334-821-3000
Fax: 334-821-3800



Scholars Competition Application

Name: _____ Date: _____

Permanent Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Current Program: Two-Year Certificate Associate Degree Bachelors Degree

College/University Attending: _____ GPA: _____

Major: _____ Classification: _____

Name of Advisor: _____ Expected Graduate Date: _____

List in chronological order high schools attended, then colleges. This information must be complete.

| Name of Institution | Location (City, State) | Dates Attended | Grade Point Scale | Date of Graduation |
|---------------------|------------------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

List any academic distinctions and honors you have received in high school or college:

List school or college activities in which you have participated as well as any office you held in any of these organizations (turf clubs, athletics, clubs, organizations, community, etc.):

List your activities outside school or college as well as any office you held in any of these organizations (clubs, organizations, community, etc.):



Applicants Last Name: _____

List employment you have held since high school, include golf and military experience only:

| Type of Work | Employer | Employed From | Employed To |
|--------------|----------|---------------|-------------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

List any other scholarships awarded:

| Scholarship | Sponsor | Date | Amount |
|-------------|---------|-------|--------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

Do you qualify for in-state tuition? Yes No

While in college, will you be contributing toward anyone else's financial support? Yes No

If yes, please indicate name, relationship and ages of those you will be supporting: _____

Please give the names of your local community and school newspapers: _____

Essay

Attach an original typewritten essay explaining why you want to be a golf course superintendent, what you have done to prepare yourself to become a golf course superintendent and what you expect from a career as a golf course superintendent in 300 words or less.

I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand the committee's decision will be final.

 Applicant's Signature

 Date



Scholars Competition Academic Advisor's Report

Applicant's Name: _____

College/University: _____

Has the applicant been a superior, good, indifferent or poor citizen of the school? _____

Does the applicant intend to pursue golf course management as a career? _____

What is the student's class ranking? _____

Please briefly describe the applicant's leadership qualities, professional potential and their ability to work independently (give specific examples): _____

I ____ do ____ do not recommend this student be granted a scholarship.

Advisor's Signature

Date

Please enclose this report in a sealed envelope and return it to the applicant in a timely manner. This report must be submitted by the application with their completed application and postmarked by December 1st.



Scholars Competition Academic Golf Course Superintendent's Report

Applicant's Name: _____

From your observations, please describe the applicant's leadership and professional potential as a golf course superintendent. (Please give specific examples).

Please outline your observations describing this applicant's ambition, work ethic and loyalty. (Please give specific examples).

Golf Course Superintendent's Signature

Date

Club: _____

GCSAA Member #: _____

Please enclose this report in a sealed envelope and return it to the applicant in a timely manner. This report must be submitted by the application with their completed application and postmarked by December 1st.