

CREDIT PROFESSIONALS INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MEMBER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The MISSION STATEMENT of Credit Professionals International states: To support the members of Credit Professionals International by providing opportunities for networking, career development and community involvement. A critical component of successful networking and career development takes places each year by attending the district and international conferences held each year.

Under the International Bylaw Article IV, students are eligible for membership under Class A – Local Association and Class B – International. This proposal outlines a formal student program and certification criteria.

Student Program

The goals of the student program are to:

1. Provide financial literacy education to students – credit, budgeting, saving, investing, etc.
2. Provide growth opportunities through participation in CPI activities
3. Use the knowledge of the students to build programs to attract younger members
4. Future CPI membership

With these goals in mind, the program is designed to ensure the students and the local organizations invest time and effort in each category of Education and Participation.

The goals of the Student Memberscholarship program are to:

- Reward and invest in student members whom demonstrate full participation in a local association, have successfully completed certification, and served in the community.
- Encourage student members to further their education with the assistance of a scholarship to provide for essentials such as a laptop and/or books, etc.
- Provide opportunities for student members to make a lasting impression on CPI through regular contributions of articles, presentations, and special projects.

Through the expansion of the Student Member program, International would like to provide a total of four scholarships to deserving advanced degree or college bound students in 2016.

- \$500 scholarships

Success measurements will be:

- Student member authored articles approved for publication in either the newsletter or magazine
- Student member facilitated training or workshops in the community
- Student member facilitated or participated in a special project(s) that can be deemed as making a lasting contribution to CPI

1. Eligibility:

- a. Eligibility to apply student scholarship shall be dependent upon being a local association member in accordance with ARTICLE IV, Section 2.A
- b. Eligibility to apply student scholarship shall be dependent upon having successfully completed Student Member Certification for initial request, and completion of the Student Grant Application for subsequent request.
- c. Eligibility to apply student scholarship shall be dependent upon the student being at least a junior in an accredited high school.

2. Qualifications:

- a. Member shall write a cover letter of no more than 250 words to justify why the Foundation Grant committee should grant them a scholarship.
- b. Complete the Student Scholarship Grant application.
- c. Submit both the cover letter and the Student Scholarship Grant application to the Foundation Grant Committee.
 - i. Student Scholarship Grant application must be submitted and received no later than November 30th of the conference year.

3. Remittance:

- a. Foundation Grant committee will notify the scholarship recipients via email, mail, or other electronic means by January 1st.