

# **Louisiana Agricultural Consultants Association**

## **Scholarship Information & Requirements**

- 1. A minimum of one graduate and one undergraduate scholarship will be awarded in 2018. In years where funding is available, a third, and possibly even a fourth scholarship for a doctoral student may be awarded.**
- 2. Preference is given to applicants currently enrolled at a Louisiana institution. Exceptions may be considered under special circumstances.**
- 3. Scholarships will be awarded to students majoring in one of the following fields: Entomology, Plant Pathology, Weed Science, Botany, Microbiology, Biology, Agronomy, Plant Science, Horticulture, Agribusiness, and Vocational Agriculture.**
- 4. Each scholarship will be a minimum of \$2,000.00.**
- 5. The deadline for applying is October 1, 2017. Extensions may be granted in some circumstances by contacting the LACA Scholarship Committee chairperson, Paul Templet by email at [tomplay43@gmail.com](mailto:tomplay43@gmail.com).**
- 6. A student can receive an LACA scholarship only once as an undergraduate, and only once as a graduate.**
- 7. An official university transcript(s) from all institutions is required.\* \*The Scholarship Committee will accept either a true foreign transcript or a copy of it if the applicant's department head attaches a signed cover letter stating that the transcript is a true copy.**
- 8. Two letters of recommendation are required.**
- 9. Winners are invited and encouraged to attend the Louisiana Agricultural Technology & Management Conference on February 14-16<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The scholarships will be awarded the Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> during the General Session.**
- 10. Qualifications:**
  - a. Applicants must have a grade point average of 3.0 or above.**
  - b. Full time UNDERGRADUATE or GRADUATE students at an accredited Louisiana academic institution are preferred. However, applicants, who are part time because of special situations or following an approved curriculum on-line at an accredited university, will be given serious consideration.**

- c. Undergraduate students must have completed a minimum of 45 semester hours or its equivalent prior to application.**
- d. Graduate students must have selected a major professor and must be engaged in his/her research project.**
- e. Applicants must submit an OFFICIAL university transcript(s) from each academic institution attended, and these must be received before the application deadline. The transcript can be mailed, shipped or sent electronically by the university directly to the scholarship chairperson. eSCRIP-SAFE may also be used to submit transcripts. Transcripts may be sent by students but they must be an official copy with the university seal.**
- f. Each applicant must submit an essay stating why he or she feels qualified to receive a scholarship.**
  - i. The essay must be a minimum of 200 words.**
  - ii. In the essay, the student should demonstrate their writing and communication skills.**
- g. Two current letters of recommendation must be submitted prior to the application deadline.**
  - i. One letter must be written by a professor in an ag related field.**
  - ii. The individuals writing letters of recommendation must mail these directly to the chairperson of the scholarship committee.**
- h. Work experience in agriculture is highly desirable.**
- i. Extracurricular activities are desirable.**

**LOUISIANA AGRICULTURAL CONSULTANTS ASSOCIATION**

**Scholarship Application**

**CONTACT INFORMATION (all information must be completed)**

Name: Mr./Mrs./Ms. (circle one)

Last: \_\_\_\_\_ First: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Street or P.O. Box: \_\_\_\_\_

Home City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School Street or P.O. Box: \_\_\_\_\_

School City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

School Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Current Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Year Graduated: \_\_\_\_\_

Class Ranking: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list all colleges and universities you have attended including dates:**

(Copies of official transcripts from all institutions attended are required.)

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**Please list the individuals you have contacted for letters of recommendation. You should request that these individuals write their letters and mail directly to the LACA Scholarship Chairman at the address listed below.**

**Name:**

**Phone/email:**

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**Attach a resume' to this application that includes the following:**

- Honors and recognition received in high school and college
- Extracurricular activities and interests
- Professional agricultural experience including name of supervisor
- Any current professional licenses and certifications

**Attach an essay of at least 200 words stating the reasons why you feel you are deserving of a scholarship.**

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**Mail completed applications to:**

Paul Templet, Chairman

LACA Scholarship Committee

966 Bayou Road

Thibodaux, LA 70301

Email: [tomplay43@gmail.com](mailto:tomplay43@gmail.com)

**Submit questions to:**

Paul Templet, Chair

LACA Scholarship Committee

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