



The American College of
**FOOT & ANKLE ORTHOPEDICS
& MEDICINE**

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ACFAOM/ABPOPPM SCHOLARSHIPS Criteria for Selection

1. Applicants must be enrolled as students in good standing in a podiatric program during the semesters for which the scholarship is to be awarded.
2. Applicants must be members in good standing of a recognized ACFAOM student club.
3. Applicants must have shown a strong interest in the areas of podiatric orthopedics and medicine.
4. Preference will be given to those with professional career goals serving in the areas of podiatric orthopedics and medicine.
5. Applicants must have a grade point average of 3.0 or above.
6. Considerable weight will be given to the applicant's ability to convey creative ideas through a well organized, clear and thoughtful ESSAY dealing with some aspect of podiatric orthopedics and medicine. The Essay must be typed, double-spaced, and no more than 600 words in length. The essay must be an original paper that is written especially for this application rather than a previously written class paper. The essay should demonstrate a knowledge of the podiatric orthopedic or medicine literature (up to 3 citations allowed), and should blend personal insight with the discussion of an issue relevant to the field of podiatric orthopedics or medicine.
7. The strength of the applicant's two faculty letters of recommendation will be an important part of the evaluation.
8. Any individual is eligible for no more than two scholarships.

Application Review Procedure

1. The scholarship committee will review all complete applications received by the due date (January 15, 2007 or as decided yearly)
2. Applications will be rated using the following criteria and weighted scores.
 - a. Community experiences with patients that podiatric orthopedics or medicine problems. (25 points)
 - b. Professional career goals (10 points)
 - c. Plans for use of the awarded funds (10 points)
 - d. Grade point average (5points)
 - e. References (10 points)
 - f. Essay (40 points)

Application Process

To be considered for an ACFAOM/ABPOPPM scholarship, each applicant must submit the following:

1. A cover letter stating:
 - a. Community experiences with patients that have podiatric orthopedics or medicine problems
 - b. Professional career goals
 - c. Plans for use of the awarded funds
2. Official transcripts showing overall GPA
3. Two faculty letters of recommendation
4. An essay dealing with some aspect of podiatric orthopedics and medicine (see criteria above for details on essay.)

Four copies of the above information, in the order listed and stapled, must be mailed so that they are received at the following address on or before the deadline (January 15, 2007):

Student Scholarship Committee
ACFAOM
5272 River Road, Suite 630
Bethesda, MD 20816

Note: Up to eight scholarships of \$2,000 each may be awarded each year; however, only one scholarship will be awarded to each school.

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