



# 2018 INSURANCE INDUSTRY COLLEGIATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**About IASA's Collegiate Scholarship Program** IASA's Insurance Industry Collegiate Scholarship program was established in 2009 to provide scholarships to collegiate students preparing for a career in the insurance industry. The scholarship program is targeted to aid students at the sophomore level or above who are enrolled in a university with an insurance program and whose course of study includes working towards a degree in Accounting, Actuarial Science, Finance, Information Technology, or Risk Management.

IASA awarded \$37,000 in scholarships in 2017. Scholarship winners are recognized during the IASA Annual Educational Conference & Business Show held in June.

## Walt Mason Scholarship \$5,000

For 2018, IASA is pleased to continue a named scholarship to honor a long-time supporter and volunteer of IASA, Mr. Walt Mason. Mr. Mason proudly served as a volunteer of IASA, serving as Secretary, Treasurer and Board Member. He was an individual who was committed to volunteerism and the benefit it provided to both the individual and to the member company he represented.

The IASA Walt Mason Scholarship Award will be presented to an individual who has not only excelled in his/her coursework, but has also displayed the same commitment to active volunteerism.

## Morty Mann Scholarship \$5,000

A newly named scholarship in 2016, IASA is pleased to continue a named scholarship to honor a long-time supporter and volunteer at both the national and chapter level, Morty Mann. His passion focused on statutory updates and annual statement changes. Morty was an individual committed to volunteerism, not just in the insurance industry, but in his community as well, where he held countless volunteer positions with local community organizations. The IASA Morty Mann Scholarship Award will be presented to an individual who has not only excelled in his/her coursework, but also has displayed the same commitment to active volunteerism.

**The goal for this year is to award over \$40,000 in scholarships with the scholarship dollars being awarded based on number of applications and overall need.**

*"We continue to be overwhelmed by the talent of the student submissions for the scholarship and their achievements so far in pursuing a career in insurance. Our recipients have proven to be dedicated not only to academic excellence, but to the betterment of themselves, their campuses and communities through service and leadership."*

-Joe Pomilia, Executive Director, IASA

**Summary of 2017 Scholarships Awarded** Supporting the education of talented and worthy students is at the heart of what IASA is all about.

## 2017 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

### \$5,000 Walt Mason Scholarship Winner

Michele Quinn

### \$5,000 Morty Mann Scholarship Winner

Mitchell Johnson

### \$2,500 Scholarship Winners

Emily Custer

Enbo Jiang

Justin Lytle

Jessica Martinez

Jennie Lynn Martino

Ryan Mroz

### \$1,000 Scholarship Winners

Jacob Akstins

Amanda Gall

Hannah Hamilton

Morgan Johnson

Ashley Kerr

James Kroll

Jean Leconte II

Xinran Liu

Kelvin Mashonganyika

Truong Nguyen

Nihar Phadke

Heather Pusey

*"I am interested in the insurance industry because insurance, like the world around us, is always changing. As new and emerging risks become prevalent in the industry, insurance professionals must develop new coverages that forecast future loss history and market conditions. At the end of the day, insurance is centered around providing a promise; a promise to indemnify individuals who may be experiencing the most traumatic events of their life."*

**-James Kroll**

IASA Scholarship Winner



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## What Our Award Winners Are Saying

*"The insurance industry is rare in that regardless of the political, environmental, social, and technological changes in our world, the underlying purpose of insurance will always be to improve people's lives, and I strive to contribute to an industry that is dedicated to helping people live better and happier lives. I aspire to become an auditor of the insurance industry to ensure the industry's purpose of positively impacting people's lives, is continuously upheld."*

**Emily Custer | 2017**

*"I believe that insurance is a growing field with new things to learn every day. As our world is advancing with technology, insurance has to keep up with the changing times and adapt to challenges the world faces. However, the most important reason why I like working in insurance is the ability to help people."*

**Heather Pusey | 2017**



**Progress Through Sharing Knowledge**

**About IASA** The Insurance Accounting & Systems Association, Inc. (IASA) is a non-profit, education association that strives to enhance the knowledge of insurance industry professionals, and participants from similar organizations closely allied with the insurance industry by facilitating the exchange of ideas and information. IASA is one of the insurance industry's largest, and most well represented trade associations. IASA membership includes insurance companies of all types (Property & Casualty, Life, Health, Fraternal, HMO and others)

as members, as well as companies serving the insurance industry, regulators and also organizations more broadly representative of the financial services industry, including banks and investment brokerage firms. Learn more about the IASA by visiting our website at [www.iasa.org](http://www.iasa.org) or by calling (919) 489-0991.

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## Submissions Received From These Universities & Companies

Ashford University	Grand Valley State University's Seidman School of Business	Olivet College	University of Minnesota - Twin Cities
Augustana College	Hillsborough Community College/ University of Tampa	Pennsylvania State University	University of Nebraska - Lincoln
Bentley University	Illinois State University	Rutgers University	University of South Florida
Bowling Green State University	Kent State University	St. Johns University	University of Southern Maine
Bryant University	Maryville University	St. Joseph's University	University of St. Thomas
Butler University	Morgan State University	Temple University	University of Texas - Dallas
California State University-Sacramento	New Mexico State	The Ohio State University	University of Wisconsin
Central Michigan University	New River Community College	University of South Carolina	University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh
Creighton University	North Carolina State University	University of Akron	University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
Dordt College	Northern Kentucky University	University of Cincinnati	University of Iowa
Drake University	Northwood University	University of Connecticut - Stamford Campus	Virginia Commonwealth University
Elmhurst College	Ohio University	University of Houston - Downtown	
Ferris State University	Ohio University Athens, OH	University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign	
Florida State University	Ohio University - Lancaster	University of Michigan - Ann Arbor	
Georgia State University	Old Dominion University		