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 $40,000 in scholarships in 2018. Scholarship winners are recognized during the IASA Annual Educational Conference & Business Show held in June.

This year scholarship amounts will range from $1,000 to $2,500 and will be awarded to top talented young professionals based on number of applications and overall need.

Walt Mason Scholarship $2,500
IASA is pleased to honor Mr. Walt Mason, a long-time supporter and volunteer of IASA with a named scholarship. 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 $2,500
In 2016, IASA honored a long-time supporter and volunteer at both the national and chapter level, Mr. Morty Mann with a named scholarship. 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.

Joe Pomilia Scholarship $2,500
Established in 2018, the Joe Pomilia Scholarship is named after former IASA Executive Director, Joe Pomilia. Joe became the first Executive Director of IASA in 2000 and served for eighteen years until his retirement in September 2018. Throughout the course of his career, Joe spearheaded numerous educational experiences, built financial strength, and inspired hundreds of volunteers across the IASA organization. The Joe Pomilia Scholarship Award will be presented to an individual who has not only excelled in coursework, but displayed a passionate desire to better the insurance industry.

Supporting the education of talented and worthy students is at the heart of what IASA is all about.

2018 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

$5,000 Walt Mason Scholarship Winner
Travis Freytag

$5,000 Morty Mann Scholarship Winner
Thomas Anderson

$5,000 Joe Pomilia Scholarship Winner
Hannah Hamilton

$2,500 Scholarship Winners
Lauren Briskey
Harrison Cameron
David Horowitz
Paige Kaiser
Gavin Medley
Jay Shah

$1,000 Scholarship Winners
Eliza-Lee Barnes
Madison Bemis
Jasmine Canlas
Courtney Cote
Melanie Keusch
James Kroll
Nathan Kuhn
Hannah Leary
Nihar Phadke
Allison Seibert
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Travis Freytag | 2018

“...working in the insurance industry is the opportunity to give people peace of mind and security through insurance. Without insurance, one catastrophe or unlucky event could financially ruin someone’s life. By pooling and spreading the risk and correctly pricing for it, we help give a sense of security to those insured that they wouldn’t otherwise have. I am also excited because this career will allow me the financial freedom to help others outside of my work hours as well, and stay involved in my community.”

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