



Abeldt Family 2023 SCHOLARSHIP

The Texas Pharmacy Foundation (TPF) offers the Abeldt Family Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 to a student pursuing a career in pharmacy at an accredited Texas school or college of pharmacy.

Background

In January 2021, the Texas Pharmacy Foundation lost one of its Trustees, Buford Abeldt, Jr. to COVID-19. While not a pharmacist himself, Buford came from a pharmacy family and worked with pharmacies and pharmacists through his sales position with Red Sail Technologies. Buford was a staunch supporter of the Foundation who wanted to grow its financial base and provide additional support services to pharmacies and pharmacists in Texas. His father, Buford Abeldt, Sr., is a pharmacist and was an independent pharmacy owner in Lufkin, Texas, for more than 40 years. His younger son, Jeffrey, follows in his footsteps as a pharmacist and pharmacy owner in Lufkin and in nearby Tyler.

Eligibility Criteria

Pharmacy students entering their second (P2), third (P3) or fourth (P4) professional year in the fall of 2023 with a minimum GPA of 2.5 on a scale of 4.0 in required courses are eligible. In addition, the applicant must be a student member of the Texas Pharmacy Association. Selection will be based on financial need and the potential to become a leader for Texas pharmacy, how they have exemplified the Abeldt family's dedication to the profession, and demonstration of involvement in pharmacy school and community activities.

Students should provide completed applications and supporting documents to the following point person at their school or college by April 24, 2023:

- Texas A&M University Amanda Galindo, Ed.D. (galindo@tamu.edu)
- Texas Southern University John Harrell, Ed.D. (john.harrell@tsu.edu)
- Texas Tech University Michal Hodge (sopscholarships@ttuhsc.edu)
- University of Houston David Wallace, Pharm.D. (dwallace@uh.edu)
- University of the Incarnate Word Amy Diepenbrock, Ph.D. (diepenbr@uiwtx.edu)
- University of North Texas Megan Wesling, Pharm.D. (megan.wesling@unthsc.edu)
- The University of Texas at Austin Justin Samuel, Ph.D. (jsamuel@austin.utexas.edu)
- The University of Texas at El Paso Carmen Ramos, M.A. (crtorres2@utep.edu)
- The University of Texas at Tyler Elizabeth Yett, Pharm.D. (eyett@uttyler.edu)

Presentation

Scholarship winners will be recognized during the 2023 TPA Conference & Expo, July 28–30 in Houston.

Abeltd Family
2023 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name of applicant: _____

Current address: _____

Permanent address: _____

Check the mailing address you prefer: Current Permanent

Phone number: (_____) _____

School e-mail: _____ Personal e-mail: _____

School or College of Pharmacy: _____

Will you be enrolled full-time this fall and next spring? _____

Check the academic year of the professional sequence of courses you will be entering this fall:

P2 Year P3 Year P4 Year

Your GPA last semester (indicate scale): _____ Cumulative pharmacy GPA: _____

Are you a TPA member? Yes No

Are you employed? Yes No If yes, how many hours do you work each week? _____

Name and address of employer, if applicable: _____

Do you have pharmacy work experience? Yes No

If yes, how many years/months and what practice setting(s)? _____

Please list pharmacy organizations in which you are involved: _____

Please list offices held in organizations: _____

Please list community involvement/activities: _____

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:

1. One-page essay (approx. 500 words, single-spaced) explaining your financial need, how the funds are to be used, how you have demonstrated a passion for the profession similar to that of the Abeltd family, why involvement in professional associations matters to you, and your future goals as a pharmacist.
2. Current CV/resume.
3. Letter of recommendation from a Texas pharmacist (such as a faculty member, preceptor, or supervisor).
4. Letter from your College of Pharmacy or School of Pharmacy verifying your GPA.