Award/Scholarship Title: Region 9 NACADA Annual Conference Graduate Student Scholarship

Award/Scholarship Description: This scholarship recognizes graduate students pursuing new or continued careers in the field of academic advising and are seeking to become involved or further involved in NACADA Region 9, including attending the NACADA Annual Conference.

These one-time awards/scholarships are non-transferrable to another person or activity/event. Individuals may nominate themselves. Reimbursement requests will be processed after the Region Conference, and must be processed before December 1 of the Award season calendar year. Current NACADA Board members, NACADA Council members, Region Steering Committee members, and NACADA Executive Office staff are not eligible for nomination. NACADA's Executive Office staff does not disclose who is nominated or how many individuals are nominated for any award/scholarship.

Eligibility Criteria:
- Nominee/applicant must be a current student member of NACADA at the time of application.
- Student nominees must be currently enrolled (at least 6 credits) in either a masters or doctoral program and must be involved in some aspect of academic advising on their campuses.
- Nominee/applicant may apply only in their own region.

Selection Rubric

Recipient receives:
- NACADA Annual Conference early, student registration fee
- An award certificate of recognition
- Recognition at the Region Conference Awards and Scholarships recognition program

Number of awards/scholarships available:
Up to 2 scholarships per Region.

Application materials required (all documents must be uploaded in PDF format, including letters):
Submit materials via the NACADA Awards online nomination system including the following documents, uploaded in PDF form:
Nomination/Application Letter: This letter should summarize the nominee/applicant’s qualifications and why the individual is being nominated for the award. This document should explain what the nominee hopes to gain by attending the event. This document should also incorporate a personal philosophy statement regarding the nominee/applicant's approach to advising and/or advising administration. Examples of any NACADA professional development activities the nominee/applicant has participated in are valuable. The letter SHOULD NOT exceed three pages, single spaced.

Letters of Support: Include up to two letters of support. These letters may come from colleagues, employees, supervisors, or students - anyone who might augment the selection committee’s understanding of the nominee. Letters SHOULD NOT exceed two pages, single spaced.

Current Resume or Curriculum Vita: Please limit entries to material that pertains directly to academic advising, presenting relevant information from the nominee/applicant’s overall resume/vita. Please include the nominee/applicant's current job with either a position description or a list of job responsibilities.

Copy of current proof of enrollment for at least 6 credit hours.

Financial statement of need/budget: Please briefly describe how receiving this scholarship would impact the ability to attend the NACADA event. Please include a brief budget outline of the plans to attend the NACADA event. This document SHOULD NOT exceed one page, single spaced.

Expectations of Award/Scholarship winner:
It is ideal if the nominee/applicant has the support of their office/department/college/institution in attending the region conference as the recipient will be recognized and presented their award during the Region Conference Awards and Scholarships Ceremony. Recipients may be asked by the Region to provide a written testimonial of the ways in which their career and/or education benefitted from receiving the NACADA Award/Scholarship.