



2024 Wisconsin Perfusion Society Scholarship Essay

This year marks 30 years of educational conferences with the Wisconsin Perfusion Society. This society is continuing its journey to serve its members, current, former, and future, by providing continuing education, promoting quality patient care, and providing a forum for communication of its constituents. As part of its mission, WPS seeks to aid current individuals pursuing perfusion as a profession by establishing an annual scholarship essay writing competition. These scholarships are open to any non-employed perfusion student enrolled in an accredited perfusion program within the United States. All scholarships are financed by the pairing of private and corporate donations and are awarded at the Annual Education Meeting. Winning scholarships will be awarded \$1000. More than one scholarship may be awarded at the discretion of the review committee. The scholarship recipient will be acknowledged at the 2024 WPS meeting, and we encourage them to present an essay synopsis during the meeting, held in-person at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Milwaukee, WI.

By now you have witnessed, if not been involved in, the many different surgeries that we as perfusionists get to see throughout our careers. For this year's scholarship we would like you to pick one specific surgical procedure or patient population that is of particular interest to you. Why is it interesting to you and what special precautions/preparations do perfusionists need to take to best care for the patient in the procedure or your patient population? While this is your opinion, please use current data and claims supported with proper citations. Please, persuade us as to why we should be just as passionate and curious about your chosen surgery or patient population.

Requirements:

- Applicants must be a current student in an accredited perfusion program and not currently employed as a Perfusionist. A testimonial from the program director verifying status must be signed on the essay submission form.
- Essays must be more than 500 words. References cited do not count toward total word count.
- Applicants are encouraged to cite references.
- Please do not reference your educational program within the body of the essay
- Deadline for essay submission is April 8, 2024.
- Essay, application form with program director testimonial must be sent to cbuss@uwhealth.org.
- Winning applicants will be notified by April 12, 2024, and recognized at the meeting April 26-28, 2024.
- Winning applicants will be recognized on the WPS website. Please see www.wisperfusion.org for meeting information.
- Incomplete applications will not be accepted for review, no exceptions.

2023 WPS Scholarship Essay Application Form

Applicant Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

e-mail Address: _____

Perfusion Program: _____

Program Director Testimonial

I, (program director name) _____ verify that
(student name) _____ is a Perfusion student in
good standing at the (name of school) _____

Program director signature Date