



Bob Gay Cytotechnology Scholarship

Description: The Bob Gay Cytotechnology Scholarship was founded by Kim Kowalczyk, Bob's daughter. Bob Gay was dedicated to supporting and advocating for the field of cytology. He was a founding year member of the ASCT and played an integral role in establishing the ASCT Foundation. Bob served in several leadership capacities for the ASCT including a term as regional director from 1996-2000 and as president from 2000-2001. Bob also served on the ASCT Services, Inc. Board as treasurer from 1998-1999 and again from 2004-2007. Beginning 2018, the scholarship will be awarded to two cytotechnology students annually. The award will be \$1000.00 per student plus sponsorship (travel and accommodations) for both students to the upcoming ASCT annual conference where the scholarships will be awarded.

Eligibility Criteria: The following criteria are used to select each scholarship recipient:

- The recipient must be a member of the American Society for Cytotechnology (ASCT) at the time of application. (Student membership is complimentary).
- The recipient must currently be enrolled in good standing in an accredited school of Cytotechnology in the United States for at least 6 months.
- *The recipient must have an overall GPA of at least 3.0, including pre-requisite courses. Determined by officially sealed transcript from the cytotechnology program.
- Scholarship will be open to certificate, bachelors, and graduate degree seeking students.
- A student that is the recipient of the scholarship is not eligible to apply again.

*If the cytotechnology program the student is enrolled in does not generate course grades until completion of the program, the director must submit the course average earned by the student for the time that s(h)e has been enrolled.

Application Materials and Selection Criteria

- Completed Bob Gay Cytotechnology Scholarship Application Form
- Official Transcript from the Cytotechnology Program
- Letter of Recommendation
 - From an instructor or program director of Cytotechnology attesting to the student's **academic ability** and **professional attributes** that would indicate this person is committed to and can make a positive contribution to the field of Cytotechnology
- Written essay (500 word limit, Times New Roman, 12 point, Double spaced) Highlighting the following points:
 - Reasons for applicant's career choice.
 - Description of the applicant's leadership activities as well as plans to continue active participation in the profession.
 - A discussion of the applicant's short and long-range professional goals.
 - Participation in professional organizations, and interest in public health, service oriented activities, etc. should be included if applicable.
 - Description of why the applicant believes he/she merits receipt of the award.
 - **Description of the applicant's need for financial assistance including past and present employment and how s(h)e financed her/his education.**
- Student Resume
 - One page. Times New Roman, 12 point font, consistent format (spacing, grammar, spelling) throughout.
 - List any honors/awards received and service activities (professional organizations, college/university, community).

Submission Deadline: All scholarship materials (application form, transcripts, letter of recommendation, essay, resume) must be received by either, US mail, e-mail or FAX no later than **February 1, 2018**

- Send to: Laila Perez, 837 Clonmel Drive, Matthews, NC 28104
- laila.perez@asctservices.com
- 704-882-1714 (fax)

Notification of Recipient: Notification of the recipient of the scholarship will be no later than March 1, 2018

- Rejection notification by email
- Acceptance notification by written document-letter

Expectations of Recipient: The recipient is **required** to attend the upcoming Annual ASCT Conference to accept the award in person.

- Conference registration will be sponsored by the ASCT Foundation
- Travel with accommodations will be provided by ASCT Services, Inc.