

ISMA Lodge 3 Scholarship Program

One of the goals of the International Ship Masters' Association is to encourage and support advancement within and entry into the maritime field. As such the Chicago Lodge of ISMA is offering three scholarships annually, each up to \$500.00, to any qualifying individuals in support of this goal.

The scholarships are to be applied towards tuition at the Great Lakes Maritime Academy at Traverse City, Michigan or to other committee approved courses to gain or upgrade a Coast Guard issued Merchant Marine License, Rating or Endorsement.

Being that this is a reimbursement scholarship, you must be able to show a successful course completion certificate before receiving said scholarship. If candidate is enrolled in a multi year program, the candidate must have been a student at least one full semester, and provide documentation of a grade point average of 3.2 or higher, in which scholarship will be made out to the school on behalf of the student.

This scholarship will be awarded to three recipients who will be seeking their first maritime credentials or furthering their education in the maritime community.

Application materials must be submitted to an ISMA Lodge 3 Scholarship Committee representative by September 30th.

Mandatory Criteria (applicants must meet each criterion)

- Submit one personal letter explaining why you are applying for the scholarship, what school you are planning to attend, what education you are looking to receive. Course must be taken within six months of September 30th deadline.
- Submit two (2) letters of support addressing the merits of the applicant. One letter should be from a Captain, Chief Engineer, a

mariner, or fellow boater. If the candidate is a current student, this first letter must be from a principal, teacher, or coach. The other letter must be from a current ISMA member.

- Applicant may not have already received a scholarship from ISMA, Lodge 3.

Weighted Criteria (applicants do not have to meet each criterion)

- Work experience, past school experience
- Future plans after receiving desired education
- Are you a member of ISMA, or do you plan to become a member / Have you attended any ISMA events
- Awards or other recognitions
- Other financial aid support (as a demonstration of recognized financial need and merit).

The completed application and letters of reference must be submitted by September 30th to an ISMA Lodge 3 Scholarship Committee representative.

Please type or print being sure to fill in or check all areas. An incomplete application will not be considered for the ISMA Lodge 3 Scholarship.

Please note, if you are in a multi year program, you must also provide documentation of at least a 3.2 GPA.

Full Name: _____

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Please list employment history starting with most recent position.

Position	Employer	City/State	Year(s)

Please list any colleges or other learning institutions you have attended starting with the most recent first.

School	City/State	Years attended	Degrees or Certificates

Candidate Certification Statement I certify, to the best of my knowledge, that the information contained in this application is correct and complete. I will notify the Scholarship Committee Chairman should any changes in my situation occur. I authorize the selection committee to verify any information contained in this application.

Applicant signature: _____

Date:_____

Any questions regarding applying for the scholarship may be directed to: scholarship@chicagoshipmasters.com