Prochnow Educational Foundation/Arkansas Bankers Association Scholarship

Nomination form for August 2-14, 2020 Session

Deadline to apply for scholarship: April 17, 2020

About the Graduate School of Banking
Since 1945, the Graduate School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin-Madison (GSB) has helped develop banking leaders through a program of advanced management education. Today GSB is widely recognized as the nation's leading and most progressive banking school. It counts nearly 20,000 bankers, bank regulatory officials and industry consultants as alumni. These alumni occupy positions of leadership in banks of all sizes, the industry and their communities.

GSB's Graduate School Program provides a comprehensive course of study of general banking and management subjects especially designed to meet the needs of bankers whose responsibilities and scope of activities are expanding. The school's purpose is to meet the growing need for bank managers and others working in the financial services industry to acquire a broad knowledge and understanding of the major bank functions and their interrelationships, and to develop the skills required to lead and manage effectively in today's and tomorrow's challenging banking environment. Its curriculum reflects the contemporary trends affecting the financial services industry. Core courses address broad areas of finance, marketing, management, and the environment in which banks operate.

A wide range of electives allows participants to tailor their educational programs to meet their own individual interests and development needs and those of their banks. Speakers in an evening seminar series address the contemporary issues affecting the banking industry. The school integrates knowledge through computer simulations, case studies and other hands-on activities. This results-oriented program spans a little more than two years, comprising three two-week resident sessions in Madison linked by intersession assignments that help integrate the program and bring the educational experience back to a participant's institution. The large and diverse GSB faculty includes more than 100 top bankers, regulators, academicians and other professionals who are committed to sharing their knowledge and skills with program participants.

About the Scholarship
The scholarship amount is $1,500 for each year of the student's attendance (approximately 1/3 of the annual tuition fees) for a total value of $4,500.

Please note: This scholarship is for people who will be entering their first year at GSB. A separate application for the School must be completed via the GSB website.
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GSB ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
Admission requirements are designed to select those who are prepared by experience and prior education to derive the greatest benefit from this advanced bank management program.
Qualifying criteria:

- Officers of FDIC-insured banks or savings institutions with five years of banking experience, as well as a four-year college degree or four additional years of financial services experience.
- State and federal financial institution regulatory officials and directors of banks or savings institutions with educational background and experience comparable to that required of bank officers.
- Non-officer bank or savings institution employees who are performing officer-level functions will be considered if their applications are accompanied by letters of recommendation from their chief executive officers describing current duties and responsibilities.
- Professionals from firms providing services to banks and savings institutions who have educational and experience backgrounds comparable to that required of bank officers will be considered for admission on a case by case basis and will be dependent on available space.

NOMINEE’S PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: ___________________________
Office Mailing Address: ___________________________
Title: ___________________________
City/State/Zip: ___________________________
Bank or Agency Name: ___________________________
Telephone Number: ___________________________
E-Mail Address: ___________________________

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND
Total years of formal education after high school (full-time equivalent): _______ years _______ months
List below colleges or universities attended.

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Describe additional educational activities, formal or informal, in-bank or outside, that will assist in evaluating qualifications. List attendance at banking schools.

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Total time in banking (counting until August 2020): __________ years __________ months

List banking experience below, current position first. (Attach an additional sheet if necessary.)

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Briefly describe your current duties and responsibilities:

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List any relevant non-bank working experience.

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ASSOCIATION/INDUSTRY/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Please describe your involvement in Association activities, other industry groups, or your local community:

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GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BANKING

Please explain how you learned about GSB and why you would like to attend:

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*Letters of recommendation may be included with scholarship applications but are not required.

NOMINATOR’S ENDORSEMENT

Please accept this nomination for the Prochnow Educational Foundation/Arkansas Bankers Association Scholarship for the Graduate School of Banking 2020 Session.

Name of Nominating Officer
Title
Bank or Agency Name
Signature

Mail or E-mail nomination to:

Kami T. Coleman
ABA VP/Professional Development
1220 W. 3rd St.
Little Rock, AR 72201
kami.coleman@arkbankers.org

Nominations will be accepted until April 17, 2020. Nominees will be notified of the decision by April 30, 2020.