

William J. Feingold Scholarship Program

GENERAL

The Vision of the ASQ Biomedical Division of the American Society for Quality is to make quality in biomedical products and systems a global priority, an organizational imperative, and a personal ethic. The ASQ Biomedical Division strives to be the leading authority and resource for everyone in the Biomedical Community who seeks quality concepts, technology and tools to improve biomedical products and themselves.

The ASQ Biomedical Division has established the William J. Feingold Scholarship Program to further its vision by:

- Promoting the awareness and the use of quality principles, concepts, and technologies to students within the Biomedical Community,
- Providing learning opportunities relating to quality for the worldwide Biomedical Community,
- Encouraging consideration of the Quality Profession in the Biomedical Community as a career choice.

The scholarship is an award of \$5000 to be presented to an individual enrolled in an accredited university or college who, in the opinion of the selection committee, fulfills the acceptance criteria. Completed applications must be submitted to the Awards Committee.



William J. Feingold was twice the Chair of the ASQ Biomedical Division in 1988 and 1992 and was a mentor to many of the members. President of Spektra Management Consultants (Carlsbad, CA) since 1987, Mr. Feingold was active in the medical device industry for nearly half a century. He held high-level positions in quality assurance and manufacturing for such companies as Cordis Corp., Critikon, Advanced Cardiovascular Systems, Sonotek Corp. and was a member of *MD&DI's* editorial board since 1988.

ELIGIBILITY

The applicants must fulfill the following requirements:

- Applicants must have completed at least two years of undergraduate study at an accredited degree granting institution by the time they receive the scholarship
- Applicants must be enrolled in or have a declared major in a technical, engineering, or scientific course of study that is applicable to the Biomedical Community.
- The applicant must have at least a 3.0 GPA (based on a 4.0 scale)
- Applicants enrolled in a Graduate Degree program are eligible for the scholarship.
- Relatives of the members of the Awards Committee are not eligible for the scholarship.

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APPLICATION

All applicants for the William J. Feingold Scholarship shall complete and submit the attached application form. All application material must be submitted to the Awards Committee. In addition to the completed form, each application shall include:

- An official transcript of completed undergraduate or graduate work to date showing courses taken, subjects, and grades.
- Letters of reference from at least three persons, one of whom shall be a current regular, senior, fellow, or honorary member of the American Society for Quality.
- An essay of at least 500 words on “Why Quality Systems are important in the Biomedical Community”.

SELECTION

This is an award that may be based on assessing multiple applicants. The ASQ Biomedical Division reserves the right to limit the number of scholarships per year and to make no award if the Awards Committee determines that the applicant does not meet the requirements.

Selection preference criteria for awarding the scholarship shall include:

- Applicants in a technical or scientific course of study related to medical products have preference over other applicants.
- Applicants with a demonstrated contribution or participation in activities related to quality in the Biomedical Community are preferred.
- Applicants with a higher GPA and/or compelling essay will have preference.

The Awards Committee of the Biomedical Division shall recommend to the Biomedical Council the recipient(s) of the scholarship(s). The Council shall consider and accept or reject each award by voice vote at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Biomedical Council.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

One or more William J. Feingold Scholarship may be awarded annually. Applicants going into their third year of undergraduate study are preferred recipients of the scholarship award. A recipient of the scholarship may apply for a second award if they are able to demonstrate through their studies and community activities exceptional commitment to the quality issues of the Biomedical Community. A recipient shall not receive more than two William J. Feingold Scholarships.

AWARD

The award will be deposited in the recipient's account with the business office of the institution designated in the application upon receipt of confirmation from the institution stating the recipient has been registered for the upcoming session.

Recipients will be notified that they have been awarded the scholarship and will be invited to attend the WCQI as the guest of the ASQ Biomedical Division for a formal presentation of the scholarship.



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Application Form

Name: _____

Address: _____
Number and street

City, State, and Zip: _____

Telephone Number: () _____ () _____
Home (day) Work

College/University/Institution attended in the last two years: _____

College/University/Institution you will be attending this year: _____
Leave blank if same as above

What course of study are you pursuing (what is your major)? _____

List the courses you have taken to date or are currently enrolled:

List organized activities you participated in while in high school/college (include offices held and years active):

List community activities you participated in:

List any honors, awards, or scholarships you received while in high school or college:

List any employment during the past two years. Include the name of the company, your job, and provide a name of a contact and their telephone number.



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Career Goals and Objectives. State briefly your intended career objectives and indicate how they relate to quality issues within the Biomedical Community.



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References:

List the names, location, and occupation of the three people providing letter of reference. List the ASQ member first.

1. Name: _____ Occupation _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ ASQ Member Number _____
Telephone Number: ()

2. Name: _____ Occupation _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ ASQ Member Number _____ If applicable
Telephone Number: ()

3. Name: _____ Occupation _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ ASQ Member Number _____ If applicable
Telephone Number: ()

My signature below indicates that I have completed this application truthfully and accurately and that the following documents are attached:

- An official transcript of completed undergraduate work to date showing courses taken, subjects, and grades;
- Letters of References from at least three sources, one of whom is a current member of the Society;
- An essay of at least 500 words on "Why Quality Systems are important in the Biomedical Community".

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Mail completed application form and attachments to:

The current ASQ Biomedical Grants and Scholarship Chair-contact information located on the leadership page on the ASQ Biomedical Division Website:

www.asq.org/biomed

or <http://www.asq.org/biomed/about/leadership-biomed.html>

The Biomedical Division is governed by the American Society for Quality (hereafter referred to as "the Society") and its Articles of Incorporation, by the provisions of the laws under which the Society is incorporated, by the provisions of the Society Bylaws, and by the Division Management Agreement.