



# **ASHP Foundation Literature Awards Program:**

## ***Student Research Award***

### **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

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## PROGRAM OVERVIEW: STUDENT RESEARCH AWARD

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The ASHP Foundation Literature Awards Program: Student Research Award is awarded to a pharmacy student for a published paper that describes a completed research project related to medication use completed during the student's first through fourth professional years in a college/school of pharmacy.

The recipient of this award receives:

- \$3,000 honorarium.
- Public announcement via press release and other Foundation communication channels.
- Public recognition at the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting; and
- A plaque commemorating their work.

### **Past Awardees:**

**2024:** *“The Impact of Psychedelic Drugs on Anxiety and Depression in Advanced Cancer or other Life-threatening Disease: A Systematic Review With Meta-analysis. The American Journal of Clinical Oncology.”* Dakota Sicignano, BS  
[American Journal of Clinical Oncology](#)

**2023:** *“Hydrocortisone versus vasopressin for the management of adult patients with septic shock refractory to norepinephrine: A multicenter retrospective study”* Niloufar Salehpour, PharmD  
[Am J Health-Syst Pharm. 2023 Jun15;67\(6\):e0017223](#)

**2022:** *“Adherence and Outcomes of a Surgical Prophylaxis Guideline Promoting Cephalosporin Use Among Patients with Penicillin Allergy”* Salfie Bhathal, PharmD, BSc  
[Surgery. 2022 Feb 16;S0039-6060\(22\)00036-8](#)

## ASHP Foundation

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As the philanthropic arm of ASHP, the Foundation shares ASHP's vision that medication use will be optimal, safe, and effective for all people, all of the time. Our mission is to support ASHP by advancing the professional practice of pharmacists and the pharmacy workforce by funding research and education that improves health outcomes through optimal, safe, and effective medication use.

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

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### **Author**

- The author shall have been a full-time student enrolled in a Doctor of Pharmacy program at an ACPE-accredited school/college of pharmacy at the time of preparation of the paper.
- The applicant must be either the first or second author listed on the submitted article.
- The applicant must have participated in each of the following:
  - (1) Substantial contributions to conception and design, or acquisition of data, or analysis and interpretation of data.
  - (2) Drafting the article or revising it critically for important intellectual content; and
  - (3) Final approval of the version to be submitted.

## Articles

- The article submitted for the Student Research Award must have been published between January 1, 2024, and May 31, 2025. Print or electronic articles that were published in 2024 are eligible for consideration.
- If an electronic article was submitted for a prior cycle, (e.g. 2024 program), the print version is not eligible for a future program cycle.

## Not Eligible:

- Past recipients of this award are not eligible; and
- Selection panel members, ASHP staff members, ASHP Foundation staff members, members of the ASHP Foundation Board of Directors, and members of the ASHP Board of Directors are not eligible to apply for this award.

## SUBMISSION PROCESS

Submission for this program is initiated by this [ONLINE APPLICATION](#)

## AWARD CRITERIA

All applications will be reviewed by a panel appointed by the ASHP Foundation Board of Directors. In an award cycle, a category may not be awarded based on results of the external review process.

Maximum Total Points = 20		
Category	Maximum Points	Criteria Descriptions
		Reviewer will assess the extent to which the article meets the below criteria.
Significance	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Addresses an important approach, topic, question, or issue/problem that has not previously been well documented or studied in depth;</li><li>• If previously documented or studied, the extent to which the article is necessary to move the field forward (e.g., addresses an important gap in knowledge).</li></ul>
Impact	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Contributes in a meaningful way to the evidence base of medication use and/or pharmacy practice;</li><li>• Describes how evidence generated could be adopted into pharmacy practice the medication use process by others.</li><li>• Has been cited in other peer-reviewed articles in biomedical journals.</li></ul>
Innovation	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Potential to challenge and shift current medication use and/or pharmacy practice paradigms by:  Utilizing novel theoretical concepts, approaches or methodologies, instrumentation, or interventions.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Novel to medication use, pharmacy practice or the broader health-system;</li><li>○ Refinement, improvement, or new application to medication use or pharmacy practice.</li></ul></li></ul>

Quality	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Research methods demonstrate substantive rigor appropriate to answer the research question(s).</li> <li>• Published in a well-respected peer-reviewed biomedical journal.</li> </ul>
Total	20	

## KEY SUBMISSION ELEMENTS

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You will submit for this award through the Foundation's online application system ([ONLINE APPLICATION](#)). Below are some key points to keep in mind.

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

- Please follow the application prompts to provide requested information, including a valid, frequently used email address that is readily accessible.
- Note: The ASHP Foundation will conduct several communications via email and these items can be time sensitive. Failure to reply in the requested time frame can result in disqualification.

### FACULTY ADVISOR INFORMATION

- Faculty advisor contact information will be required.
- If Faculty Advisor is also a co-author, please notate in this section by selecting the checkbox.

### CO-AUTHOR INFORMATION

- Include information for all co-authors cited in the article.
- All co-authors must be notified that the article is being submitted for consideration for this award.

### ARTICLE CITATION INFORMATION

- Article Title
- Citation information must be provided in *AJHP* reference format.
- PMID numbers should be provided for the article.

### SIGNIFICANCE AND ROLE OF THE APPLICANT

- Please describe your specific contributions to the overall research and published article. (Limit to 350 words)
- Check the box in the application to confirm all eligibility conditions are met (see conditions below).
  1. Substantial contributions to conception and design, or acquisition of data, or analysis and interpretation of data; and
  2. Drafting the article or revising it critically for important intellectual content; and
  3. Final approval of the version to be published.

Note: To be eligible for this award, conditions 1, 2, and 3 must all be met.

## **ESSAY PROMPT**

- Please describe the rationale, significance, and impact of the submitted article. (Limit to 350 words)

## **ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED (UPLOAD)**

- Article
  - A copy of the article must be uploaded.
- Letter of Support
  - While we do not have any specific requirements for the letter of support, we ask that you recruit someone who can convey enthusiasm for the submission and/or endorse your understanding of the subject matter.
- CV
  - Current CV must list all the applicants' peer reviewed publications.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

- Please select which ONE communication vehicle prompted you to apply for this program.

## **CERTIFICATION AND ACCEPTANCE**

- You will be asked to attest that the information provided in this application is true and complete to the best of your knowledge.

## **PROGRAM TIMELINE FOR THE 2025 LITERATURE AWARD**

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- Accepting Submissions – April 1, 2025
  - Submission deadline – June 3, 2025, at 11:59 PM ET
  - Awardees selected – Late August / Early September 2025
  - Awardees notified – Late September 2025
  - Awardees announced by press release and acknowledged the Midyear Clinical Meeting