

2010 Nizar N. Oweida, MD, FACS, Scholarship

The Board of Governors of the American College of Surgeons announces the availability of a scholarship for young rural surgeons, the Nizar N. Oweida, MD, FACS, Scholarship of the American College of Surgeons.

Questions may be directed to the ACS Scholarships Administrator, 312-202-5281.

Requirements for the Oweida Scholarship are also posted on the College's Web site at www.facs.org.

The Oweida Scholar must attend the full week of the Clinical Congress in the year for which it is designated; the award cannot be postponed. The Oweida Scholar will provide a brief report on his or her experiences at the Clinical Congress for possible future publication in the Bulletin of the American College of Surgeons. A simple accounting for the award is also required. These items are due by December 1, 2010.

Purpose

The Oweida Scholarship provides an award of \$5,000 to subsidize the participation of a young rural-based Fellow or Associate Fellow in attendance at the annual Clinical Congress of the American College of Surgeons.

Basic Requirements

The Oweida Scholarship is available to a member of the American College of Surgeons in any of the surgical specialties who meets the following requirements:

- Serves a rural community in the U.S. or Canada
- Is a Fellow or Associate Fellow in good standing
- Is under 45 years of age on the date the application is filed

Activities

The Oweida Scholar will attend the annual Clinical Congress of the American College of Surgeons, which will be held in Washington, DC, October 3–7, 2010. He or she will also attend the annual scholarship luncheon on Sunday, October 3, 2010, to meet the members of the Scholarships Committee and awardees from other programs. The Oweida Scholar will also attend the rural surgeons meeting on Tuesday, October 5, 2010, to meet with rural colleagues and to receive his or her check.

Financial Support

The successful applicant will receive the sum of \$5,000 U.S. This amount is to be used to help defray travel expenses for the Clinical Congress, postgraduate course fees, hotel costs, and per diem expenses during the Clinical Congress. Preferential housing in a thrifty hotel near the Congress site will be made available to the scholar. The scholar will make his or her own travel arrangements.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors will select the scholar after review and evaluation of the applications.

Applicants for the Oweida Scholarship should submit the following items:

- One copy of the applicant's current curriculum vitae
- One copy of a one-page essay, discussing the following specific items:
 - Why the applicant wishes to receive the Oweida Scholarship
 - Why the applicant believes he or she is qualified to receive the scholarship
 - Why the applicant characterizes his or her practice as rural

A scholar and an alternate will be selected, and all applicants will be notified of the outcome of the selection process by March 31, 2010.

Please send applications for this scholarship to:

SCHOLARSHIPS SECTION ★ American College of Surgeons ★ 633 N. Saint Clair St. ★ Chicago, IL 60611-3211

The closing date for receipt of completed applications is December 15, 2009.

