

## American Osteopathic Foundation's William G. Anderson, DO, Minority Scholarship

### Scholarship Application

The William G. Anderson, DO, Minority Scholarship was established in 1998 in recognition of the distinguished career of William G. Anderson, DO, and his life-long commitment to civil rights, his dogged pursuit of diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives, a decades-long dedication to the Osteopathic profession, and his generous philanthropic spirit.

#### Purpose

This scholarship annually recognizes minority Osteopathic medical students who are committed to Osteopathic principals and practice, excel academically, and have proven to be leaders in addressing educational and societal barriers, as well as addressing health care needs of minority populations.

#### Scholarship

A limited number of educational scholarships in the amount of \$10,000 will be awarded to minority students who exemplify the scholarship purpose.

#### Eligibility

- Minority\* OMS II, III or IV with strong academic achievement (50% percentile) enrolled in a College/School of Osteopathic Medicine.
- Plays a leadership role in addressing the educational, societal, or health needs of minorities.
- Has multiple examples of their work to address inequities in medical education or health care.
- Participates in volunteer activities including service projects, philanthropic activities, and health policy initiatives that serve to demonstrate their commitment to others.
- Current AOA membership required to apply. (You may register for complimentary AOA student membership [here](#).)

*\*Minority is defined as African Americans; Asian Americans, Arab and other Middle Eastern Americans, Native Americans (including American Indians, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians); Latinos including Puerto Ricans or other Hispanic ethnic origins. International students are also welcome to apply.*

#### Application Requirements

- [Completed online application](#) – students may apply directly
- A Letter of Good Standing from the Dean or their designee, confirming a strong (above average) academic standing and verification from the COM that, if received, this scholarship will not render the student ineligible for other financial aid opportunities or reduce the total aid for which they are eligible. An optional template is located [here](#).
- Two (2) letters of recommendation from the following list: academic medical instructor, Osteopathic physician, professional mentor, or similar professional within the Osteopathic profession.
- A one (1) page personal statement outlining the applicant's financial need, academic aptitude, and citing examples of commitment to addressing health equity
- Copy of medical school transcript (official transcripts not required)
- Current resume or curriculum vitae (*include memberships, Osteopathic or other*); and a personal photo
- Proof of complimentary AOA student membership

#### Review Process

Applications close April 29, 2024. The selected student and their SOM/COM will be notified by July 31, 2024.

