

# Southwest Foundation for Osteopathic Education & Research (SWFOER)

## AMY & JOHN L. HUMMER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

### In Honor of Lloyd M. Hummer, MD

The purpose of this fund is to award an annual scholarship according to the following guidelines:

(a) In addition to any criteria agreed upon between the Donors and SWFOER, the annual scholarship grants shall be awarded based on the following considerations: financial need, academic achievement, extracurricular school activities or employment, community service, personal integrity and character.

(b) Award is intended for a student who is pursuing a doctoral degree at Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine ("BCOM") in Las Cruces, New Mexico.

(c) One award will be made each semester for one-half of the amount present in the fund. The first year shall be in the amount of **\$5,000.00**. Expenses that may be covered by an award include tuition, books, room and board, and other such related educational expenses as approved by the scholarship committee.

(d) Recipient chosen for the scholarship must meet the following criteria as established by Amy and John L. Hummer:

- Must have completed OMS I at BCOM and have an average cumulative grade of 80%;
- Must be funding at least 70% of their tuition via student loans;
- Provide a list and background information on any community, charitable or volunteer service organizations and/or projects conducted since their freshman year in college to present;
- Submit a short essay (1000 words or less) regarding BCOM's mission statement and how they see themselves becoming a part of its fulfillment.
- Recipient is eligible to automatically receive a renewal of the scholarship each year up through graduation. Recipient must maintain an overall 80% cumulative grade and successfully complete OMS II and OMS III and the first semester of OMS IV.
- If recipient is unable to maintain eligibility for renewal, then scholarship committee will select a new recipient who will become eligible for renewal up and through graduation so long as they maintain eligibility.

Consideration will be given for underrepresented minorities per the definition utilized by the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine (AACOM);

*A Scholarship Advisory Committee (the "Committee") consisting of at least three and no more than five individuals shall by majority approval, recommend to the SWFOER Board concerning the selection of the award recipient(s) and the amount(s). Non-adherence of recommendations from Committee must have supporting documentation to support change. The original Committee and replacements for any vacancies that occur on the Committee shall be named by a majority of the SWFOER Board of Directors. If any member of the Committee shall have a son, daughter, grandchild, niece, nephew, brother, sister or stepson, stepdaughter, etc. who applies for an award from the Fund, or is the legal guardian of any applicant for an award from the Fund, a Committee member with a conflict of interest, will abstain from voting with respect to said applicant in the year in which such person applies for an award from the Fund.*

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***Be sure to ask Marlene if this scholarship can be increased via various matching grants.***