

ATD Greater Atlanta Chapter Scholarship Program

The Association for Talent Development Greater Atlanta Chapter has established the this scholarship program to encourage and support continuing education and professional development. The ATD Greater Atlanta Scholarship provides a \$1,000.00 annual grant to either students of workplace learning and development programs as well as industry professionals continuing their education and professional development. This scholarship is funded to honor those who speak at chapter events. Should you have questions about the program, please e-mail scholarships@astdatlanta.org

Eligibility

Candidates for the scholarship must meet the following requirements:

1. The candidate must be a member in good standing of the ATD Greater Atlanta.
2. The candidate must be an "adult learner." To be considered an adult learner the candidate must be 18 years of age or older and have at least 2 years of work experience.
3. For educational scholarship, the candidate must have applied for and been accepted or currently enrolled in an accredited degree or certificate program in the following (or closely related) fields: instructional design, workplace learning and performance, human resources development, organizational development, or adult education.
4. For training program scholarship, the candidate must submit the application for the training program they will attend. The training program must support the workplace learning and performance profession.

Selection

The candidate must meet the eligibility requirements and will be assessed based upon these criteria:

A demonstrated commitment to personal advancement and continuous learning

- Proven commitment for continued education and self development
- Faces career or life-altering experiences with gusto
- Demonstrates respect and acceptance of others
- Honors diversity and values heritage and individual uniqueness of others
- Teaches, trains, coaches and mentors others

Exhibits high personal standards and passion for life

- Offers sincere and genuine interaction with others
- Driven by integrity and high standards
- Elicits courage and persistence to achieve results
- Willing to explore possibilities and challenges the status quo
- Demonstrates excitement and energy for goals and objectives

Timeline

Application for the annual scholarship is open beginning July 1 of each year, with all applications due no later than September 30. The award decision will be announced on November 15.

Process

Candidates must submit the Scholarship Application Package via e-mail to scholarship@astdatlanta.org. Your application consists of:

1. This application form
2. A current resume
3. Letters of recommendation form (no more than 3) Your references will e-mail the form to scholarship@astdatlanta.org
4. Other information that substantiates any claims relative to evaluation criteria

Candidate Evaluation and Selection Process

Each year an evaluation team will be formed consisting of the senior advisors of the Board of Directors. One of the three will accept chair responsibility for the administration of the program.

The evaluation team members will be responsible for reviewing each of the applications to determine basic eligibility and to rate the candidates based on the evaluation criteria detailed in the standard evaluation form, which is included with your application for reference.

The award will be granted based on the degree to which each candidate meets the requirements of the evaluation form. If a winner cannot be decided or there is a tie, the candidates who rank the highest (maximum of 3) shall be interviewed by the evaluation team (either in-person or via telephone). The winning candidate will be identified from this group.

Candidates will receive a letter thanking you for applying and letting you know whether you met basic eligibility requirements, whether you are in the final set of three candidates and finally, whether you have won the scholarship.

Scholarship Award

The scholarships will be announced annually in November. All scholarship recipients will be honored at the annual awards meeting of the chapter in December.

Terms and Conditions:

1. If awarded, scholarship activity must begin within one year of the scholarship being granted.
2. If awarded the scholarship, the award recipient will authorize the use of their name and likeness to announce and promote the ATD Greater Atlanta Scholarship Program on the our website and other communication channels.
3. The scholarship is a one-time award
4. Not all applicants will be awarded a scholarship
5. The chapter reserves the right to not award a scholarship
6. The winner will be issued a 1099 for the scholarship award from our accounting service. You will be required to provide your social security number for this tax form.

The ATD Greater Atlanta Program Application

Complete all fields in this application. Adobe Reader is required to complete this form.

First Name

Last Name

Address 1

Address 2

City

State

Zip

e-mail

Phone

Alternate Phone

Areas of Interest (Please check all that apply):

Workplace Learning and Development

Human Resources

Organizational Development

Adult Education

Other

Other (please provide details, limit 100 words)

Are you 18 years or older?

Yes

No

Have you had at least two years of work experience?

Yes

No

Are you currently a member of ATD Greater Atlanta?

Yes

No

Are you a resident of Georgia?

Yes

No

Name of College/Program that you are registered or plan to attend

Address 1

Address 2

City

State

Zip

Dates you will be attending

Expected Expenses

Please review the scholarship evaluation criteria and then answer the following questions in your own words. Your answers will be limited to a maximum of 100 words for each question.

1. How have you demonstrated your commitment to community services with a special focus to people in need? (limit 100 words)

2. How have you demonstrated your commitment to personal advancement and continuous learning? (limit 100 words)

3. How have you demonstrated your commitment to the Learning and Development profession?
(limit 100 words)

What can you tell us about yourself that demonstrates your high personal standards and passion for life? (limit 100 words)

How will this scholarship get you closer to your dreams and goals?
(limit 100 words)

OPTIONAL Please tell us how you learned about the ATD Greater Atlanta Scholarship program

Chapter event

Website

Newsletter

Chapter member

Other

If Other, please explain

Save your application and e-mail along with a current resume to **scholarships@astdatlanta.org**

Thank you for applying for the ATD Greater Atlanta Scholarship Program.

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