



Scholarship Application Form

Sunday May 11 – Sunday May 18, 2008
Red Lion Hotel
221 North Lincoln Street
Port Angeles, Washington 98362

About Scholarships

Thanks to generous contributions from donors to this year's Esprit Scholarship Fund, we are able to provide scholarships on a needs basis to attend Esprit. If you are interested in contributing to this important program, contact the Scholarship Coordinator.

Scholarships are intended to encourage first-time individuals and couples in need of financial assistance to attend Esprit. The attendee's scholarship will be awarded based on need and typically in the form of a partial to full waiver of the registration fee. Some additional special awards may be available from year to year. The applicant is responsible for paying any additional registration fee remaining if the scholarship award is not a full tuition scholarship. As a fully registered attendee, scholarship recipients are entitled to all services and activities as listed on the Registration page. Food and drink, hotel, products and services purchased from resource providers, discretionary and entertainment expenses, and transportation are not covered by the standard scholarship award. In general, no money will be given directly to the scholarship recipient.

How To Apply

To apply for a scholarship, fill out and submit the online form referenced from the Scholarship page at <http://www.espritconf.com>. You will receive an email confirmation of your online application.

The application deadline is February 28, 2008. Late applications will be reviewed on a case by case basis, funds permitting. Scholarship awards will be made during March 2008 and typically consist of emailed vouchers. The vouchers can be used to offset the registration fee and are submitted with a normal Esprit registration form as partial or full payment of the registration fee. Please indicate on your application form if your attendance at Esprit depends on knowing before the end of March whether you will receive a scholarship.

If you do not have computer access, contact one of the sponsoring organizations to arrange an alternate means of submitting your application. A printable application form is available from <http://www.espritconf.com>.

Scholarship Guidelines

Please note the following when you prepare your application.

1. You must have an independent sponsor who will vouch for your financial status and general situation. Include in your application as much contact information as possible, including the

name, phone, email and/or mailing address of an officer at a transgendered or GLBT organization, a medical professional, a counselor, or other person in an official capacity whom we may contact. If you have questions about who may qualify as a sponsor, contact the scholarship coordinator.

2. All required fields on the form must be completed.
3. When you indicate your financial situation, please be fair to other applicants by providing accurate and true information about your financial status.
4. Please describe as fully as possible why you want to attend and a good description of your financial situation.

In addition to the general principle of awarding scholarships to those in need, the following guidelines are used in determining awards. Scholarships will not necessarily be awarded in each category.

1. First-Time Attendees – Strong preference is given to first-time attendees. Scholarships may be awarded up to the Full Tuition. This must be your first time as an individual or couple at Esprit.
2. Couples - Scholarships may be awarded up to the Full Tuition.
3. Financial Need Attendees - At the discretion of the Scholarship Committee. This scholarship may be awarded to returning attendees with financial need.
4. International Attendees - At the discretion of the Scholarship Committee. This scholarship is for any person not living in the United States with significant financial or travel constraints. You must state the country you are coming from.
5. Specialty Awards. From year to year we may have unique awards available for applicants who meet the requirements for the awards.

Questions?

Contact the Scholarship Coordinator at Scholarships@EspritConf.com or at the mailing address. Extensive information on all topics is available at the Esprit web site at <http://www.espritconf.com>

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All information is kept strictly confidential. Application must be received by February 28, 2008.

Office Use Only

Attendee

Preferred First Name

Preferred Last Name

Legal First Name

Legal Last Name

Contact Information

Address

City

State/Province

Zip/Postal Code

Country

Email

Phone Number (recommended)

Best Time to Call

Name to Ask For When Called

Travel Factor (Indicate: Portland-Seattle-Spokane, BC Lower Mainland-Vancouver Island-Olympic Peninsula, Continental US-Canada, Mexico, Europe, New Zealand, other)

Applicant Status

How many Esprits have you attended?

Application Category (check all that apply):

- First timer
- International
- Couple
- Financial need

Income Level

Indicate Your Income Level:

- Welfare
- Poverty
- Low Income
- Middle Income
- High Income

Attendance

Indicate Number of Days Attending
(e.g. Sunday-Sunday is 8 days):

Sponsor (an independent party whom we may contact to verify your situation)

Name

Email

Club/Affiliation/Relationship to Applicant

Phone Number

Reason for Scholarship and Additional Remarks (personal/financial situation, goals, etc. in detail)

Signature

By entering my name below and submitting this application, I declare that all information herein is complete and correct. If applying for a couples scholarship, we declare that we are in a legally recognized marital relationship or we have shared the same physical residence for the last 12 months.

Signed _____

Date _____

Please mail completed application to: Esprit Scholarship Applications, P.O. Box 87334, Vancouver, WA 98687