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## Mid-America College of Funeral Service – Bachelor of Science in Funeral Service Management

Mid-America College of Funeral Service (MACFS) believes in rewarding students for their academic performance and challenges them to have the same commitment to academic excellence once they become part of the MACFS family. The Valedictorian / Highest Ranking Graduate Scholarship is the most prestigious scholarship at Mid-America College of Funeral Service for the online Bachelor of Science in Funeral Service Management program. In recognition of academic excellence and demonstrated potential for leadership in funeral service, Mid-America College of Funeral Service is proud to provide a scholarship to students who have been recognized for top academic excellence within their ABFSE accredited funeral service associate program. The scholarship provides a one-time \$2,500.00 final quarter tuition award.

The Valedictorian / Highest Ranking Graduate Scholarship is a merit-based program established in 2016 and is administered by Mid-America College of Funeral Service. The tuition award amount is awarded in the final term. The scholarship must be applied directly toward tuition, less any other gift aid received.

### Purpose of the Scholarship:

- Recognize the most academically talented funeral service program graduates throughout the nation and;
- Encourage academically talented students to receive an advance bachelor's degree in funeral service management.

#### **Tuition Award Amount:**

\$2500.00

## **Entry Requirements:**

To participate in the Scholarship a student must have been designated by their ABFSE accredited associate program as the Valedictorian/Highest Ranking Graduate and complete <u>one</u> of the below forms;

- 1. The ABFSE accredited funeral service program must complete the Valedictorian/Highest Ranking Graduate Scholarship Program Director Request Form and send to Mid-America College of Funeral Service **OR**;
- 2. Student must complete the Valedictorian/Highest Ranking Graduate Scholarship Student Request Form and send to Mid-America College of Funeral Service. The MACFS will request information for verification on Award Criteria from the College you have graduated from.
  - a. It is recommended that all forms are submitted 2-4 weeks prior to date of graduation of student.

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b. Form may be emailed to scholarship@mid-america.edu or via regular mail at;

Mid-America College of Funeral Service 3111 Hamburg Pike Jeffersonville, Indiana 47130

#### **Award Criteria:**

- The student with the higher class ranking or Valedictorian of any funeral service program graduating class will receive the award from Mid-America College of Funeral Service.
  - A maximum of one scholarship per graduation will be awarded for each ABFSE funeral service program
    that has an articulation agreement with Mid-America College of Funeral Service, OR;
  - A maximum of one scholarship per graduation will be awarded for ABFSE funeral service programs that
    do not have an articulation agreement with Mid-America College of Funeral Service. There is a limited
    number of Scholarships available.
- The student must be designated by their ABFSE accredited associate funeral service program as a valedictorian or highest ranked graduate.

### Deadline:

It is preferred the form and verification is sent 2-4 weeks prior to student's graduation.

## **Eligibility of Continuation of Scholarship and General Conditions:**

- Scholarship must be utilized within 2 years after awarded.
- Students who are awarded scholarships are required to be in good academic standing.
- Students who are awarded scholarships must also be free of any current discipline code violation and may not be on disciplinary probation.
- ❖ Many scholarships may be combined with other sources of financial assistance for which a student is eligible. Valedictorian/Highest Ranking Graduate Scholarship in combination with other scholarships and grants does not exceed the student's cost of attendance in any academic year. Any "incomplete" grades must be resolved before eligibility for continuation of the scholarship can be determined.
- This scholarship is for a final quarter tuition waiver award and is awarded for only the MACFS Bachelor of Science in Funeral Service Management.
  - Scholarships can be utilized for only full-time undergraduate students enrolled in the Bachelor of Science in Funeral Service Management program and students (12 credit hours or more per quarter) who meet all college admission requirements.

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- Students must not be in default of any federal or state student loans, owe a refund for any previous financial aid received, or owe balance to College for previous term/s.
- o Student must be accepted into the Bachelor of Science in Funeral Service Management.

## **Approved Leave of Absence**

Students who take an approved leave of absence or Standard Period of Non-Enrollment may regain their scholarship upon their return provided they continue to meet all academic and enrollment conditions and submit documentation verifying the approved leave of absence or standard period of non-enrollment. Acceptable documentation is either a copy of the college's approved leave of absence or standard period of non-enrollment forms or a letter from the academic dean's office confirming the terms and length of the student's approved leave of absence or standard period of non-enrollment.

### **For More Information**

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