

# SUSAN M. ROMAN VETERINARY SCHOLARSHIP

## OVARIAN CANCER SYMPTOM AWARENESS ORGANIZATION

### I. Guidelines

1. Three scholarship grants will be awarded annually.
2. The recipients will be selected by the Scholarship Committee and may include recommendations made to the Board of Directors of the Ovarian Cancer Symptom Awareness Organization. (“OCSA”)
3. The scholarship funds will be distributed in two increments after September 1 of the corresponding academic year.
4. Applicants must be second or third year students at schools or colleges of veterinary medicine represented in the Student American Veterinary Medical Association House of Delegates (including all 28 U.S. Schools and 5 international schools.) To see a list of the 33 schools, please visit:  
<https://www.avma.org/about/savma/whatissavma/pages/student-avma-the-student-chapter-program.aspx>  
Each scholarship will be made payable to the recipient’s veterinary college and is restricted in its use for educational expenses of the recipient, including but not limited to: tuition, fees and books. However, the grant cannot be used for personal expenses.
5. The scholarship grants will be given with no obligation but the recipients will be encouraged to consider donating to the Ovarian Cancer Symptom Awareness Organization (OCSA) Susan M. Roman Veterinary Scholarship fund in the future and/or soliciting other donors to assure its sustainability.
6. Selection of recipients will be restricted to second and third year veterinary students.
7. The scholarship funds will be provided on an equal opportunity basis with respect to race, religion, national origin, and sexual orientation.
8. Following the selection process, the OCSA Directors and Scholarship Committee will provide written announcement of the recipients of the scholarships.
9. OCSA grants scholarships to veterinary students who are current residents of the United States of America.

## II. Scholarship Criteria

1. The Susan M. Roman Veterinary Scholarship will be awarded to three currently registered veterinary students in good standing. Preference will be given, but not limited to, students whose lives have been impacted by ovarian cancer (self, family member or friend). It is imperative that the students have a clear understanding of the silent symptoms of ovarian cancer which include: bloating; abdominal pain; feeling full quickly; and urinary problems.
2. Applicants must be current legal residents of the United States of America.
3. Applicants must be second or third year students at schools or colleges of veterinary medicine represented in the Student American Veterinary Medical Association House of Delegates (including all 28 U.S. Schools and 5 international schools.) To see a list of the 33 schools, please visit:  
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4. The character of each applicant as well as the applicant's dedication to the veterinary field will be taken into consideration. The names and contact information of three or more references who are familiar with the applicant's character should be included with the scholarship application. A current veterinary faculty member of the student's veterinary college and a United States veterinarian **must** serve as two of the three or more references.
5. Each applicant must submit a written biography not to exceed one page. The biography should contain information on education and work experience, extracurricular activities, membership in professional and student organizations, honors and awards, career goals and aspirations, and any other relevant information that will aid the Scholarship Committee in its decision.
6. Each applicant must provide a current college transcript.

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS FEBRUARY 28, 2013.**

**III. Instructions for Applicant**

1. Prepare three copies of the application:
  - a) Send the original copy by February 28, 2013 to the OCSA Scholarship Committee.
  - b) Give one copy to your dean's office.
  - c) Retain one copy for your own information.
2. Print or type clearly. Any application that is illegible will not be considered. If additional space is needed, use separate sheets of paper. You may also complete the application online at [www.ovariancancersymptomawareness.org](http://www.ovariancancersymptomawareness.org) by clicking on "Veterinary Outreach Program" and then choosing "Susan M. Roman Veterinary Scholarship."

Note: If you complete the application online, supporting materials should be scanned and submitted via email to [vallie.szymanski@oscachicago.org](mailto:vallie.szymanski@oscachicago.org).

3. Please read the entire application prior to completion. All questions must be answered. If an application is not complete, it will not be considered.
4. The deadline for application submission is February 28, 2013. Your application will not be considered if received after February 28, 2013.
5. Without exception, no grant will be awarded without submission of the following:
  - Completed application with appropriate signatures.
  - The names and contact information of your three or more references, inclusive of a veterinary faculty member at your educational institution and a United States veterinarian.
  - A written biography not to exceed one page.
  - Current college transcript.

**IV. Deadline for Applications**

The deadline for scholarship applications is February 28, 2013.





b) Veterinarian working in the USA:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

c) Personal References (*e.g., neighbor, clergy, undergraduate teacher, etc.*)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please use an additional page if you have more than three references.)

13. Summary Information (*please complete*):

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Year of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Anticipated Educational Expenses for the Upcoming Year: \_\_\_\_\_

***Verification of Information***

I have carefully read the questions in this application. Each answer as made herein is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I give OCSA permission to receive and verify the information as reported.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

***Return completed, signed scholarship application, your transcript, one page written biography, and other required documents to:***

**Ovarian Cancer Symptom Awareness Organization**

875 N. Michigan Avenue, Suite 1525

Chicago, IL 60611

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