

## 2024 GACAA PROFESSIONAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ County/Dept: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (O): \_\_\_\_\_ (C): \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Present Position: \_\_\_\_\_ # of Years: \_\_\_\_\_

GACAA Member: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ # of Years: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you made a \$40 or greater contribution to the Scholarship Fund before June 30 of the prior year? (The minimum requirement is \$20 if made before September 25, 1995) This is required for consideration.

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Have you worked the GACAA food booth at the Sunbelt Expo?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

List the dates and amounts of GACAA Scholarships received. You may receive the scholarship more than once, but first time applicants will be given additional consideration.

Please answer 1, 2, and 3 on additional page.

1. Describe in detail your plan for training (sponsoring institution, location, courses, dates and itinerary.)
2. State how this training will help increase your competency as a Cooperative Extension employee.
3. Describe in detail what this scholarship will cover (tuition, fees, books, supplies, travel lodging, meals, etc.)
  - a. Estimated cost of training \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (attach details)
  - b. Amount to be received from other sources: \_\_\_\_\_

My signature verifies that I am a paid member of the Georgia Association of County Agriculture Agents.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of District Extension Director: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Send completed application to the GACAA Scholarship Committee Chair:

Martin Wunderly  
UGA Extension  
1420 Experiment Station Rd  
Watkinsville, GA 30677

706-542-7147 or e-mail [martin.wunderly@uga.edu](mailto:martin.wunderly@uga.edu)

**Application deadline is OCTOBER 15, 2024**

## **GACAA PROFESSIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS**

Three state scholarships of \$750 each are available to GACAA members. These may be used for graduate study or other educational/professional improvement activities.

GACAA scholarships are supported by member contributions, scholarship auction proceeds, Sunbelt Expo food booth sales and sponsorship by Georgia Farm Credit Association. Applications are due to the state scholarship chair by **October 15, 2024**.

### **CRITERIA FOR AWARDING GACAA PROFESSIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS**

- A. Must be an active member of NACAA and GACAA for two years and membership must be current when the application is submitted. Applicant must have contributed a minimum of \$40 to the Association's scholarship fund. (\$20 if prior to 9/25/1995)
- B. Use of the scholarship funds must start within one year of scholarship award.
- C. Award is for individual or group professional improvement through:
  - advanced degree study in an Extension related degree program. This can include reimbursement for travel at the accepted state rates.
  - other educational activities. This could include but is not limited to NACAA meetings, other educational meetings, tours, study courses and special conferences.
- D. Maximum award for individual or group is \$750 per application.
- E. Study or group activity cannot be completed before application is approved.
- F. Recipient will be selected by the GACAA Scholarship Committee.
- G. Recipients will receive scholarship award at Annual State Meeting of the GACAA.
- H. Individuals or groups can only be awarded one scholarship per year.
- I. A written report of the program study must be submitted to the GACAA State President at the conclusion of the funded program. This report should be brief, not exceeding two typed double spaced pages.
- J. Preference will be given to first time applicants. Previous award winners can apply and will be considered.
- K. Individual and group scholarship winners must work the GACAA Sunbelt Expo Food Booth in the year following the receipt of the award.

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