**First Time Attendee Scholarship Application**

This award is designed to allow COSUGI members who have never attended a COSUGI conference the opportunity to attend the annual conference taking place March 6th- 8th, 2024 in Provo, Utah. The winner will receive a complimentary registration and a $500 travel stipend.

The winner shall be awarded the scholarship based on the member’s community participation, benefit to the member and the member’s institution, and financial need.

**Eligibility**

1. Applicants must be COSUGI members

2. Applicants must not have attended a COSUGI conference in the past.

3. Current COSUGI Board Members are excluded from applying.

**Requirements**

1. All applicants must complete a conference application.

2. All applicants must submit a brief vita/resume.

3. All applicants must submit a conference benefits essay of no more than 250 words.

4. All applications must be received by January 12th, 2024.

5. If awarded, the applicant~~s~~ accepting the scholarship agrees to attend the COSUGI business meeting and be recognized. The applicant also agrees to their names being announced on any or all the SirsiDynix listservs and/or the COSUGI website.

6. If awarded, the applicant~~s~~ will write a brief post-conference article (< 125 words) including what benefits were received from attending the conference. This article may be used for COSUGI promotional materials.

The winner of the scholarship will be notified no less than one month before the conference or one month after the application deadline—whichever comes first.

**Please complete the application on the following page, and email your application, essay, and vita to:** admin@cosugi.org

**Please type or print the following information below:**

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**\* COSUGI Member Number:**

**\* Institution and/or Library:**

**\* Name**

**\* Address:**

**\* Phone:**

 **Fax:**

**\* E-mail:**

**\* Position:**

**\* Please check system currently using:** ❑ Unicorn ❑ Symphony ❑ Horizon ❑ Dynix

**\*Library Type (choose one):**❑Academic❑Government❑Law❑Medical
❑Public❑School ❑Consortium❑Other, specify: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**\* Your involvement in COSUGI and SirsiDynix community (select all that apply):**❑Beta test software ❑Contribute regularly to listservs / forums

❑Contribute Enhancement Suggestions❑Participate in Regional User Groups

❑Participate in SPPs❑Other, specify: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**\*Statement of Financial Need: (Please include your organization’s travel budget figure)**

**Essay**

In 250 words or less, please tell us why you should receive a COSUGI Conference Scholarship. Include any information that will help the selection panel make their decision, including:

* Why you haven’t attended COSUGI before.
* Benefits that your attendance will have for your professional development, and organization.
* How your attendance can benefit COSUGI and other users.
* Extenuating circumstances that create added financial hardship.

If you have any scholarship questions, please contact:

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