

Georgia Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance

Young Scholar Award

Purpose of the Award

The purpose of the Young Scholar Award is to recognize and encourage young professionals to participate in GAHPERD and to reward and encourage scholarship among our young members. One of GAHPERD's goals is to provide an opportunity for the professional growth and recognition of young professionals and thereby foster future leadership opportunities in the field.

Qualifications for Award

In order to qualify for the Young Scholar Award, a nominee must show evidence of emerging scholarship as indicated by completed research, scholarly presentations, creative works, or other endeavors, and must currently be involved in scholarly activity. A nominee must be a current member of GAHPERD, and recipients must be 40 years of age or younger as of January 1 of the year in which the award is presented. Recipients must attend the GAHPERD annual convention and be present at the awards program to receive their award. Recipients must also agree to make a formal presentation at the GAHPERD convention following receipt of the award.

Selection/Recognition Process

The completed application for this award is reviewed by a screening committee appointed by the Committee Chair of the GAHPERD division sponsoring this award. The recipient and all applicants for this award are notified by letter from the Committee Chair six to eight weeks prior to GAHPERD's annual convention. The award winner is expected to be registered and present at the convention and to be in attendance at the Awards Ceremony. The Chair's letter will include details regarding the date and time of this special event.

Required Materials for Application

Applications must contain all required materials to be reviewed by the screening committee. The required materials for this award are as follows:

1. A cover letter indicating intent to apply.
2. Resumé/vita not to exceed six (6) pages.
3. A 2-3 page summary describing the significance of your scholarly work and how you show evidence of such.
4. Two letters of reference from individuals familiar with your scholarly work. One letter should be from a current GAHPERD member.

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Young Scholar Award APPLICATION Form

Name of Applicant: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ (H) _____ (W) _____ (FAX)

E-mail: _____

Current Employer: _____

Job Title: _____

Current GAHPERD Member: _____ yes _____ no

Current AAHPERD Member: _____ yes _____ no

I meet the age criterion for this award: _____ yes _____ no

Materials to submit as an applicant for this award must be received by the posted due date and include:

- A cover letter indicating intent to apply
- A resume` or current vita not to exceed six (6) pages
- A 2-3 page summary describing the significance of your scholarly work and how you will show evidence of such.
- Two letters of reference from individuals familiar with your scholarly work. One letter should be from a current GAHPERD member.

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CONVENTION PRESENTATION AGREEMENT FORM**

Nominee: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ (work) _____ (home)

FAX _____ E-mail _____

If I am selected as the Young Scholar Award I also accept the responsibility of presenting a program based upon my scholarship at the next annual convention of the Georgia Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. I understand that I must be a current member of GAHPERD at the time of application and presentation, and I further understand that no compensation is provided for any GAHPERD member to attend and present a program at the convention.

Signature _____ Date _____