

ACLP INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

INSTRUCTIONS

Please complete this application in Word format, expanding the area for answering each question as much as you need to. Alternatively, you may create a separate document repeating these questions and providing your answers. In either case, we respectfully request that your complete Application be no more than eight (8) pages.

Please also provide a professional CV/resume (no more than two (2) to three (3) pages preferred) as a separate document. Please also provide a photograph along with your application and CV. Thank you!

Your completed application must be received by ACLP no later than 17:00 U.S. Eastern Time, 31 October 2017. Residents of Canada, the United States, and all US territories are not eligible for this scholarship.

Please submit your completed Application in one of the following ways:

- As a Word or PDF attachment to an e-mail sent to: awards@childlife.org (preferred method)
- Via fax to: +1.571.483.4482
- Via postal mail to: Association of Child Life Professionals
1820 N. Fort Myer Dr, Suite 520
Arlington, VA 22209-1807 USA

CRITERIA FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS

The Awards Committee of the ACLP welcomes all interested parties to submit an application, however applicants meeting one or more of the following criteria may be given priority in the scholarship evaluation process:

- Applicants who are in a position to introduce, or greatly enhance, psychosocial care consistent with child life best practices and principles at their facility
- Applicants who have recently learned about the field of child life/pediatric psychosocial care
- Applicants who have not previously had the opportunity to participate in similar professional conferences and who do not have the support of a comparable professional organization in their country

EXPECTATIONS FOR ATTENDING THE CONFERENCE

The Applicant must sign the Application agreeing to abide by all of the following requirements:

- Complete applications must be received by ACLP on or before 17:00 U.S. Eastern Time, **31 October 2017**.
- All applicants must discuss this opportunity with their supervisor and determine eligibility to attend the conference in advance of the scholarship being awarded. Contact information for the appropriate authority at the applicant's place of employment must be included on the Application and is subject to confirmation.
- Scholarship recipients are responsible for checking their health/medical insurance to ensure adequate coverage while visiting the United States. In the event of a medical emergency or medical treatment, ACLP cannot assume any liability regarding the provision of cost of health care services.
- Scholarship recipients are responsible for obtaining any travel visas required by the United States and any other country visited in transit. The recipient must pay for any associated costs themselves.
- Scholarship recipients are expected to arrive in the Washington, D.C. metro area by the afternoon of Wednesday, **2 May 2018** and leave either late afternoon or evening on Sunday, 6 May, or anytime on Monday, 7 May.
- Scholarship recipients are required to attend at least one full-day or half-day intensive on Thursday, 3 May.
- Scholarship recipients are required to attend an educational session (including the opening and closing keynote) in each time slot that such sessions are conducted from Friday, 4 May through Sunday, 6 May and to attend all conference-wide networking and official social functions.
- Scholarships will cover registration fees for all sessions mentioned above, along with covering the actual cost of round-trip economy-class airfare up to but not exceeding \$1,800US; up to 5 nights' accommodation in the official conference hotel, and a small stipend to cover meals and incidentals not provided by ACLP during the Annual Conference. Fees for visas, baggage, transportation to/from airports will not be covered.
- Recipients will make air reservations through the ACLP headquarters office.
- After the conference, recipients will write a 300 to 600 word essay about the practice of, and/or prospects for, child life in their country and about their attendance at the Annual Conference. This report will be shared with the ACLP Board of Directors, and may appear in the ACLP *Bulletin* or on the ACLP website. This report must be sent to awards@childlife.org no later than **June 15, 2018**.

ACLP International Scholarship APPLICATION FORM

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. NAME:
2. E-MAIL ADDRESS:
3. TELEPHONE NUMBER:
4. POSTAL MAILING ADDRESS:
5. HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THIS SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY? *(select all that apply)*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ACLP Website | <input type="checkbox"/> ACLP Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Press Release | <input type="checkbox"/> 2014 International Summit Delegate (please specify who): |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Facebook | <input type="checkbox"/> Friend/Colleague |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Twitter | <input type="checkbox"/> Another Organization (please specify): |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LinkedIn | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): |

SECTION 1: PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE & MOTIVATION TOWARDS SCHOLARSHIP

1. Current place of employment:
2. Employer Address:
3. Your position title and number of years in your current position:
4. Please review the information describing the child life profession at <http://www.childlife.org/docs/default-source/the-child-life-profession/about-child-life.pdf>. What are the similarities and/or differences between child life and pediatric psychosocial care as practiced in your place of employment? If there currently is no pediatric psychosocial care practiced, how do you see it developing in the future?
5. Please describe the nature of your current and/or previous employment positions that relate to child life/ pediatric psychosocial care. If not included on your resume, be sure to include the length of employment for any positions listed.
6. What motivated you to apply for this scholarship? Please include a minimum of three (3) learning objectives for attending ACLP's Annual Conference.

SECTION 2: PROFESSIONAL ROLE & ADVOCACY

7. Please describe any experience you have had working with child life specialists or trained pediatric psychosocial care professionals. In what context (i.e. intern, patient collaboration, committee work, etc.) did that experience take place?
8. Please describe any educational or professional training opportunities you have participated in that relate to child life and/or pediatric psychosocial care.
9. In your current role, what resources would you need to influence the adoption of specialized pediatric psychosocial care: (a) in your current place of employment; and (b) in your country?
10. In your current professional position, what role do you believe you can have in influencing the adoption of child life practices and principles: (a) In your current place of employment; and (b) in your country?

11. Please describe any barriers/obstacles to promoting pediatric psychosocial care: a) in your current place of employment; and b) in your country.

SECTION 3: LEADERSHIP

12. Please tell us about your experience in a leadership role or position. If you are a supervisor/manager, include what types of positions those you supervise hold (what are their job titles)?
13. If you attend the ACLP Annual Conference in 2018, what steps will you take to inform others in your organization and in your country about the practice and principles of pediatric psychosocial care (child life)? Describe your planned advocacy initiatives on behalf of pediatric psychosocial care.

SECTION 4: SUPPORT SYSTEM

Please indicate Yes or No to the following questions.

		YES	NO
14.	Are you aware of any certified child life specialists practicing within your place of employment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15.	Are you aware of any certified child life specialists practicing within your country?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16.	Are you aware of other specialized staff whose primary role focuses on pediatric psychosocial care within your place of employment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17.	Are you aware of other specialized staff whose primary role focuses on pediatric psychosocial care within your country?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18.	Are you aware of any academic or clinical programs in your country that train students or practitioners in child life or pediatric psychosocial care?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19.	Have you ever attended an ACLP conference?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, please provide more detailed information below:

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SUPERVISOR

All applicants must discuss this opportunity with their supervisor or other person of proper authority and determine eligibility to attend the conference prior to submitting the application form. Please have your supervisor or other person of proper authority review and commit to the following statement:

“I attest that if this Applicant is awarded a 2018 ACLP International Scholarship, the Applicant has the support and permission of his or her employer to take off the needed time to travel to, and attend, the ACLP Annual Conference in the Washington, D.C. metro area, USA, and to meet the “Expectations for Attending the Conference” as stated in the instructions included with this Application (See Page 1). I further attest that I have the authority to grant this on behalf of the employer.”

 Print Name and Title of Supervisor or Person of Proper Authority Who Attests to this Statement

Contact Information for Supervisor or Person of Proper Authority:

E-mail:

Phone:

AGREEMENT OF APPLICANT

By signing, printing, or typing(keyboarding) name below, the Applicant attests that all descriptions and statements contained in this Application are true; that the Applicant has received acknowledgment from their supervisor or person of proper authority as described above; and Applicant agrees to abide by the “Expectations for Attending the Conference” included with the Application Instructions (See Page 1).

Name:

Date: