# South Carolina Chapter Appraisal Institute Scholarship Criteria / Application

M. Ralph Griffin, Jr Scholarship

Name: Last, First, Middle Initial	
Home Address	
City, State Zip Code	
Phone Number	
Email	
Year Joined AI	
Local AI Chapter	
Are you a Candidate for Designation or Practicing Affiliate?	
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The M. Ralph Griffin, Jr. Scholarship is primarily for practicing affiliates and candidates for designation, who are attending education courses from the Appraisal Institute and are working toward earning an Appraisal Institute designation. The following page will provide specific guidance but the candidate should outline some level of need and detail the current and planned path toward designation. The spirit of this scholarship is to assist in the financial responsibilities of the overall designation process.

## **Requirements for Scholarship Award**

- 1. Applicant must be a Candidate for Designation or a Practicing Affiliate of the South Carolina Chapter of the Appraisal Institute in good standing, working toward an MAI, SRA, AI-GRS, or AI-RRS designation.
- Applicant must have attended a minimum of two Quarterly Chapter Meetings within the past eighteen months. The following programs may be substituted for a Quarterly Chapter Meeting: Annual State of SC Economic Summit Conference, ½ day Chapter sponsored seminar held the day of the Chapter Meeting, and Chapter Networking Social Events. Provide dates of the meetings/events.
- 3. Applicant must submit a list of completed Appraisal Institute courses and continuing education to date and a summary of remaining classes needed for designation and the cost of those classes.
- 4. Applicant must submit a resume or statement of qualifications. Please list most recent employment first. Applicant must state if he/she is a previous scholarship recipient of this award.
- 5. Applicant is asked to list any Honors, Awards or Distinctions and any extracurricular activities and affiliations with other professional organizations.
- 6. Applicant is asked to list any volunteer or community service.
- 7. Applicant must submit an essay between a minimum of 200 words and a maximum of 500 words stating why he or she should be awarded the scholarship, highlighting professional goals and experience. In this essay, applicant should list educational plan for the MAI, SRA, AI-GRS, or AI-RRS designation.
- 8. Applicant must provide a letter of recommendation from current or previous employer.

## **Conditions for Scholarship Award**

The South Carolina Chapter will award up to five scholarships of up to \$1,000 per scholarship. The Scholarship Panel will consider costs for each selected applicant's upcoming classes to maximize the scholarship award; however, the award may be structured to cover full class amounts with no residual award for partial class costs.

Scholarships may be applied only to Appraisal Institute designation courses, to qualify an individual for the MAI, SRA, AI-GRS, or AI-RRS designation. Scholarship money will be paid directly to the course provider. Scholarship money is for course tuition fee, only. Scholarship award must be used within the 36 months following its award date.

Only one scholarship may be awarded to an individual in any one award period.

Award recipients must submit written correspondence to the Chapter Executive Director stating his/her intention to attend a course, no later than 60 days before the start date of the intended course, for approval of use for scholarship funds. Persons awarded the scholarship will be asked to attend a specified Chapter meeting for the formal presentation announcement.

A photograph of the Applicant may be requested for publicity and promotional uses in the Chapter newsletter or AI National correspondence. Applicant will be notified by phone or email if a scholarship has or has not been awarded.

#### If you have any questions concerning the application, please contact:

Allen D. McCravy, MAI, Education Scholarship Panel Chair

#### The application and all other supporting documents should be sent to:

Suzanne Brockway, Executive Director South Carolina Chapter Appraisal Institute, 2451 Cumberland Parkway, #3510, Atlanta, GA 30339 <a href="mailto:sbrockway@aiatlanta.org">sbrockway@aiatlanta.org</a>