

## Libraries Southwest Scholarship

Libraries Southwest is pleased to announce that one scholarship in the amount of up to \$1500 will be available to employees of Libraries Southwest member libraries. This scholarship will support coursework either at an institution of higher education or coursework toward staff certification. This scholarship is to encourage employees of Libraries Southwest members to pursue careers in the field of librarianship

**Applications will be accepted on or before July 15.** Interested applicants should mail their application, recommendation form, essay, and class schedule demonstrating course enrollment to **LSW Scholarship Committee, c/o Jessica Hutchings, Box 91540, Lake Charles, LA 70605.**

### Eligibility Requirements

- Employment at a library in a Libraries Southwest member organization. Members include Allen Parish Libraries, Beauregard Parish Libraries, Calcasieu Parish Libraries, Calcasieu Parish Public School Libraries, Cameron Parish Libraries, Evangeline Parish Libraries, Frazar Library at McNeese State University, Jefferson Davis Parish Libraries, South St. Landry Community Library System in Sunset, SOWELA, Vermilion Parish Libraries, and Vernon Parish Libraries.

One of the following:

- Enrollment in graduate coursework for the Master of Library and Information Studies or Master of Information Science
- Enrollment in undergraduate coursework for the School Library Media Certification
- Enrollment in Library Support Staff Certification coursework

### Application Materials

- Completed application
- Essay describing interest in librarianship
- One recommendation form in a sealed envelope completed by the applicant's immediate supervisor
- Class schedule reflecting enrollment in relevant coursework

### Notification

- Scholarship recipient will be notified during the first week of August.
- Scholarship recipient will be invited to the Libraries Southwest Author Dinner in October to be recognized as the award winner.

### Questions?

Call Jessica Hutchings, Libraries Southwest Treasurer, at 337-475-5512 or email [jhutchings@mcneese.edu](mailto:jhutchings@mcneese.edu).

# Libraries Southwest Scholarship Application Form

## Part 1 – Applicant Information

Please print or type.

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Parish Calcasieu	
Phone Number (504) 220-7250	Date of Birth 8/27/1981
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Institution you plan to attend Currently attending Louisiana State University	
Degree or certification you plan to pursue Masters in Library and Information Science	

### Work Experience (please include volunteer experience and internships)

Dates	Place of Business	Position	Reason for Leaving	Accomplishments
1998-1999	Calcasieu Parish Public Library System	Page	Moved to New Orleans to attend college	
2009-Present	Cauberge Casino & Resort	Entertainment & Marketing		Award for innovation for my work with the entertainment department Volunteered at libraries many times Teaching yoga and dance
2016-Present	Calcasieu Parish Public Library System	Information Services Adult Programming		Guest speaker on programming for seniors at Programming Quarterly Spearheaded a project to knit caps for the oncology department at Lake Charles Memorial Hospital "Caps for a Cause" Designed activities for the adult reading program log