

MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION OF BLOOD BANKS

Application for 2026 Student Scholarship



Minnesota
Association
of Blood Banks

Please **complete** the entire application. If requested information is not applicable to your situation, reply should be "NA".

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name (Last, First, Middle initial): _____

Home address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Are you related to any staff members, board members, or officers of MNABB?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If yes, list names and relationships: _____

B. PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

What are your educational and professional goals and objectives? If additional space is needed, please include a word document

C. CAREER EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Indicate which career choice you are pursuing:

☐ MT/CLS/MLS

☐ MLT/CLT

☐ Specialist in Blood Banking

Are you currently enrolled in an accredited educational program for the career you checked above?

☐ Yes

If yes, provide an unofficial school transcript

☐ No

Are you attending?

☐ Full-time

☐ Part-time

D. REQUIREMENTS AND SUBSTANTIATING INFORMATION

The following are requirements for the application:

- Applicants must be enrolled in a MT/CLS/MLS, MLT/CL (located in the state of Minnesota) or Specialist in Blood Banking program accredited by NAACLS or CAAHEP.

- Applicants must be in good standing with the program they are enrolled in and have a minimum GPA of 3.0.
- Applicant's course of study leads to a career in blood banking, laboratory medicine, or related field.
- Applicants pursuing careers other than those recognized by MNABB will NOT be considered or accepted.

The following substantiating information must be submitted with the application:

- Unofficial transcripts of grades from colleges attended.
- A separate typed essay (500 words or less) stating why you have chosen this career.
- The application, transcripts, and personnel essay must be submitted as one complete package.

E. PROCEDURES

Application must be completed and emailed to Alex Klobassa at Klobassa.Alexzandra@mayo.edu by midnight CST **September 1, 2026** to be considered for the current year's scholarship. Applications that are incomplete or received after the deadline will not be considered. Please include in the subject line "MNABB Scholarship Application" to identify your application.

Please note that all applicant's supporting documents will be considered as confidential information by MNABB and will be destroyed after consideration.

MNABB reserves the right to publish the awarded scholarship recipient's name, picture, and school they are attending on MNABB social media and communications.

The MNABB scholarship committee, whose decision will be final, will determine scholarship recipients. **Two \$1000.00 scholarships will be awarded this year. Winners are invited to attend the Annual Fall Conference on October 29, 2026, in St. Paul, MN.**

If there are any questions, please contact Alex Klobassa at Klobassa.Alexzandra@mayo.edu

To the best of my knowledge the above and attached information is correct.

Signature (Please type your full name): _____

Date: _____

Return application and all materials to:
Alex Klobassa, MNABB Education Chair

Klobassa.Alexzandra@mayo.edu

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