

Women's Leadership Network Scholarship Information

The **PLUS Foundation's Women's Leadership Network (WLN)** began in 2009. Since then, the PLUS Foundation has been successful in creating opportunities to network and learn from the experience of women who are leaders by virtue of their achievements, and in raising corporate awareness of the value of developing and diversifying leadership.

Skill, knowledge, sponsorship and confidence are needed to realize your leadership potential. PLUS Foundation Women's Leadership Network is proud to offer the PLUS Foundation Women's Leadership Scholarship for women who are ready to invest in their careers in order to enhance their contribution in the workplace and obtain positions of greater responsibility

The PLUS Foundation seeks to advance the careers of program participants, help PLUS develop leaders and enhance the effectiveness of the broader professional liability community.

GOALS AND BENEFITS

Via the resources and services of the PLUS Foundation Board of Directors, the WLN Scholarship is designed to:

- Connect participants with a mentor to enhance their career development and expand their professional networks
- Encourage participants to assume leadership roles in PLUS and the professional liability insurance industry
- Develop a more diverse leadership pool for the professional liability insurance industry
- Demonstrate the long-term benefit of the scholarship program to participants, PLUS, and the larger professional liability insurance profession

Scholarship recipients will receive:

- Up to \$5,000 to be used within 24 months from the date of the award. The scholarship will be used for leadership programs (including certificate programs, books, program fees, travel) at higher education institutions or leadership conferences
- Access to planning and attendance opportunities with the PLUS Foundation Women's Leadership Network event(s) in your region
- Mentor pairing with a senior-level PLUS member who has agreed to serve as mentor for a minimum of one year
- Opportunities to network with PLUS Foundation Board and other PLUS leaders
- VIP participation at PLUS Conference (includes registration fee, hotel and airfare)

ELIGIBILITY

To apply for the scholarship candidates must be:

- Currently employed in the professional liability insurance industry with a minimum of two years of experience
- Become a member of PLUS
- Identify as female

PARTICIPANT COMMITMENT

In order for recipients to be successful and for the WLN Scholarship to achieve its goals, each participant must:

- Formulate a two-year leadership development plan with a contact from the PLUS Foundation Board of Directors
- Assist PLUS Foundation in identifying your mentor and be actively engaged with the selected mentor
- Actively participate in your chosen leadership training and volunteer opportunities
- Attend networking opportunities at PLUS and Foundation events
- Provide brief written reports following your chosen leadership training events and/or biannually to share your progress and observations
- Submit program related materials as requested
- Serve as an ambassador for WLN, PLUS Foundation and PLUS to your employer, colleagues and community