

**Colorado State Library
Joint MPLA/CALCON 2016 Student
Scholarship Application**

Thank you for your interest in applying for the **Colorado State Library Small/Rural Joint MPLA/CALCON16 Scholarship**. Our goal is to develop leaders within the Colorado library community by helping students who might not otherwise be able to attend the annual conference, participate in CALCON16 by offering two full conference registrations to MLS and MLIS students.

Anyone who is a CAL member and is currently enrolled in a LIS/MLS/MLIS graduate program is eligible to apply. Because we are looking to develop leaders throughout the library community, there are no requirements for minimum or maximum work experience.

If selected, awardees must attend all three days of the conference (October 20, 21 & 22, 2016), and agree to write at least one blog post for the Library Learning and Creation Center.

Eligible applicants must be:

- Colorado residents currently enrolled in a LIS/MLS/MLIS graduate program.
- A current student member of CAL.
- **Not yet registered for the conference** (unfortunately, we are not able to reimburse registration fees already paid. This scholarship was created to help those who would not otherwise be able to attend CALCON 2016.)
- Willing to network and share information gathered at the conference with colleagues and peers via a Colorado Libraries blog post.
- Able to cover costs of the conference beyond the scholarship registration fee. (**The scholarship covers the full CAL Conference registration only. Mileage, hotel, and meals outside what is included in the CAL registration are not included.**)

For your application, please address the following in a letter of interest (no more than 2 typed pages):

- Why you are interested in attending CAL? What do you hope to gain?
- Why you need this scholarship to attend.
- How you plan to share what you have learned with colleagues and fellow students.
- Any other details you believe would provide a compelling reason for the Scholarship Committee to award you the scholarship.

As part of your application, please include the following:

- Signed application form
- Letter of interest

- *A letter of support from one of your MLIS/MLS instructors is recommended, but not required.*

Applications are due by 5 PM on Wednesday August 31, 2016. Recipients will be notified by Monday September 12, 2016.

Please send all application materials via e-mail or fax to:

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