

Robert J. Stahl Student Teacher Scholarship Award



Arizona Council for the Social Studies

Application Form

This scholarship has been created and is solely sponsored by the ACSS to give financial support to a student teacher during his or her semester of student teaching. The members of the *Arizona Council for the Social Studies* (ACSS) want to support the entrance of an outstanding novice into the profession who would otherwise find it financially difficult to complete his or her program of study. The award recipient will receive \$1,000 to offset costs associated with student teaching, as well as one-year memberships in the *National Council for the Social Studies* and the *Arizona Council for the Social Studies*.

Eligibility:

1. Applicants must be enrolled full time in an elementary or secondary social studies teacher preparation education program at an Arizona university.
2. Award applications are due every year on or before March 15. Applicants must student teach in the fall or spring semester of the following academic year.
3. Applicants must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher.
4. Applicants must provide evidence of financial need.
5. Applicants must compose a 500-word essay detailing their commitment to teach social studies in the future and the importance of social studies in the curriculum.
6. Applicants must include two confidential letters of reference.

Application Submissions: All applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Application materials must be typed or word-processed, including the application form.
- Address all of the specific eligibility requirements outlined above.
- Include two letters of recommendation from a supervisor, teacher, colleague and/or community member that speak to the applicant's commitment to outstanding social studies education. Letters should be placed in a sealed envelope with the seal signed by the referee.

Judging:

Applications will be judged by members of the ACSS Awards Committee. Judges can in no way be related to or have had a personal or professional relationship (including a current or former teacher) with applicants.

Award Notification:

- The annual winner will be notified no later than May 31st of each year. Public recognition and announcement of the award recipient will be made yearly at the ACSS Fall Conference.

To download the scholarship application as a pdf document, visit the ACSS website <http://www.azsocialstudies.org>.

