**IMHOTEP LEGACY ACADEMY – FACULTY OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS**

**SUMMER RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

**Purpose**

The goal of the Imhotep’s Legacy Academy (ILA) is to increase the number of African Nova Scotians pursuing post-secondary education in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). The ILA offers weekly interactive STEM enrichment activities and homework help for junior high students, an on-line tutoring program for high school students and summer research internships for post-secondary students. The ILA has partnered with the Faculty of Health Professions (FHP) at Dalhousie to create this scholarship for African Canadians pursuing a Health Professions degree (e.g. Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Health Promotion, Kinesiology, Physiotherapy, Social Work, Pharmacology or Speech Language Pathology). Its purpose is to increase the number of African Canadians in the field of Health Professions by providing related research experience.

 **Eligibility**

Any African Canadian currently enrolled in an undergraduate health professions program at a post-secondary institution in Nova Scotia is eligible to apply. Preference will be given to applicants who have participated, or intend to participate, in the Imhotep`s Legacy Academy.

**Description**

One scholarship valued at $6500 is available for the summer, with equal contribution from the ILA and the FHP. This award may supplement any other award. In advance of their application, students are expected to identify and communicate with prospective FHP faculty member(s), whose research is in an area of interest to the applicant. The successful applicant is expected to participate in the research program of the chosen faculty member.

**Selection procedure**

Selection is based on a combination of academic performance (50%), research ability (30%) and leadership/community involvement (20%). A cumulative GPA at the time of application in a Health Professions program of study of at least 3.0 is required.

**Selection committee**

The selection committee is composed of the scholarship liaison of the ILA’s board of directors, the Associate Dean (Research) of the Faculty of Health Professions and the African Nova Scotian Health Sciences Initiative committee.

**Deadline**

**March 31st, 2015**. Submit completed application form (Part I) and applicant’s statement (Part II) along with most recent transcripts to:

ILA-FHP Summer Research Scholarship Selection Committee,

Dalhousie University, 6225 University Avenue, Room G40N, Halifax, NS B3H 4H8

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