



Kevin Fern DESTINATION STATEHOUSE Scholarship Guidelines

Thank you for your interest in attending Destination Statehouse, February 12, 2025.

Statement of Eligibility

Scholarships to attend the 2025 Destination Statehouse are open to any student currently enrolled in a tourism, hospitality or related program in a Kansas university or college or any first-time attendee to Destination Statehouse. Student applicants must submit the application, proof of enrollment and one letter of recommendation. First-time attendees must submit proof of employment in a tourism-related field, number of years in the profession and one letter of recommendation.

General Information

Awarded scholarships will cover the cost of registration. Scholarship funds are supported from donations of TIAK (Travel Industry Association of Kansas) members attending Destination Statehouse.

Entry Guidelines

- A typed, completed application form (page 2), proof of enrollment at college/university and one letter of recommendation must be submitted or proof of employment, number of years in the profession and one letter of recommendation.
- Please do not send any additional materials. Only completed materials will be accepted for review and entries will not be returned upon completion of the scholarship process.
- Entries not prepared according to guidelines may be disqualified.
- Must submit a paper after the event sharing your experience at the conference, due February 21, 2025. Email to Marlee Carpenter at office@tiak.com.

Deadline

Submissions must be completed and received by **January 15, 2025; please send all materials to:**

Marlee Carpenter
TIAK Scholarship
825 S Kansas Ave, Ste 502
Topeka, KS 66612
office@tiak.com

Judging Panel and Notification

The TIAK Education Committee will review the entries. An entry may be disqualified if it is determined that there is not adequate information provided on the application form. All decisions are final. All applicants will be notified whether or not they have been selected. Applicants will be notified via e-mail to the e-mail listed on the scholarship application. Notifications will be sent out no later than January 22, 2025.



**Travel Industry
Association of Kansas**

Scholarship Application

Name:	
E-Mail:	
Phone:	
University/College/Employment:	
Dates enrolled/Dates Employed:	
Program of Study/NA for First-Timers:	
Graduation Year/NA for First-Timers:	
Internship location & dates: (if applicable)	

- 1) In 300 words or less, please select one question below and answer in essay format in the space provided below (typed):
- Why do you want to attend the Destination Statehouse?
 - Why did you choose the tourism/hospitality industry as your major in college/profession?

2) Attach proof of enrollment at college/university/proof of employment.

3) Attach a brief letter of recommendation from a professor/adviser or a professional reference from an individual in the tourism/hospitality industry.