

## SCNext Scholarship Application Process

This process is applicable to the training and certification programs from our partners brought to our student and young professional members. Please read instructions and information on <http://scnext.org/certifications/scholarships> before you proceed with the following

### -----Step 1-----

Please fill out the application form by clicking on the following link: [Application Form Link](#)

### -----Step 2-----

Email [scholarships@scnext.org](mailto:scholarships@scnext.org) with the following information/attachments to supplement your file

**Subject Line:** Scholarship Application for *(Program Name)* *(SCNext Membership ID)*

*Note: Program Name is the name of the course you are applying for, like CSCA, CSCM etc.*

**Body/Attachments:** Please include the following

No	Description	Guidelines	Scholarship Track	Mandatory	Optional
2.1	White Paper on Supply Chain Management	Appendix A	Only 3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2.2	SCNext Photo Challenge	Appendix B	1,2 and 3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2.3	Letter of Recommendation from University Professor (Student) or Supervisor/Boss (Young Professional)	Appendix C	1,2 and 3		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Note:

- **If you applied for scholarship using Track 1 (Ptak Prize Case Competition) or Track 2 (SCNext supported event), you are NOT required to submit attachment 2.1. We will confirm you have qualified in that category and then consider your application**
- While Item 2.3 is optional, having a recommendation letter outline your performance increases your chances of being awarded a greater scholarship

### -----Step 3-----

Please allow 7 days for processing of your materials by our scholarship committee. Our decision will be based upon the materials you submit which are indicative of your passion towards growing in this field. We will get back to you with the scholarship amount granted, registration procedures and coupon codes for your scholarship amount to help you register for programs at the discounted rates.

Note: The decisions made by our scholarship committee are final and binding. Candidates should not contact us again for re-consideration or for greater scholarships.

## Appendix A

### SCNext White Paper Supply Chain/Operations and allied fields

The paper should be a minimum of one (1) A4 page (we have no maximum number of pages, anything you need to get the point across is acceptable), font size 11, font Calibri, single-spaced. It should have an introduction identifying a problem statement, your arguments/views/experiences around it and finally conclusions on the topic.

Please include at the top of the page - a title/topic, at bottom of the page indented to the right- Your Name, SCNext Membership ID

#### For Students- Article on Supply Chain Improvements in your country

The purpose of this paper is to get a student's untarnished view on any area within the gamut of operations that they see improvements to in their countries. Students are idealists; they see the processes through a unique eye which is not blemished with current industry practices. That is exactly what we are looking for. Pick a problem, an issue, a practice and see how you want to change it relevant to your country.

#### Guidelines

- The paper can be about any supply chain topic in any industry of your interest. It could be specific to one particular company or the industry in general
- Paper should be original. Please do not plagiarize or copy one off the internet. Duplicated content will not be considered
- Focus more on the content and uniqueness; the paper can take the form of your motto in supply chain. We do not care so much about formality and grammar as much as we do about innovation and solutions. Treat this paper as something you will strive for in your career, make it your goal. After 2-3 years into the industry, you should have been able to address at least 1 solution you outlined in this paper
- Think of this as a tool you can add to your professional portfolio that will help demonstrate to your future employer you have the analytical and SCM skills to identify problems and present solutions
- We love wacky out of the box ideas; if you think the idea is crazy....maybe your right, maybe it is not practical 99 out of 100 times, but we want you to reach that 1 time, where you have hit the jackpot, a breakthrough in the field

Note: Once submitted, you give SCNext the right to use this document (with credits to you) for our global knowledge sharing purposes in the form of a diary/journal and other activities where the content can be used

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**For Young Professionals- White Paper on Supply Chain Management**

The purpose of this paper is to get your views on a supply chain topic in your country or a generic topic of your interest based on your experiences

**Guidelines**

- The paper can be about any supply chain topic of your interest.
- You can draw from your own personal experiences or a general area of research/practice
- Paper should be original. Please do not plagiarize or copy one off the internet. Duplicated content will not be considered
- Focus more on the content and uniqueness, the paper can take the form of your personal memoir and note to self. We do not care so much about formality and grammar as much as we do about innovation and solutions
- Think of this as a tool you can add to your professional portfolio as you move up in your career. You can post this on your blog, on your LinkedIn profile as needed representing your personal brand

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## Appendix B

### SCNext Photo Challenge

This is where we want to see your creativity. SCM is a field which is ever evolving and we want to see creativity which can be manifested in many ways and here is a fun way to display it

#### **Guidelines for photo challenge:**

1. You need to click one (1) photo which should feature you and 2-3 of your friends/colleagues
2. The purpose of the photo is to describe some aspect of supply chain in one click. It could be serious, could be fun and could highlight a country specific challenge/topic..... it could be anything unique that has a message
3. Some examples have included
  - a. One student holding money besides a cow on campus with the friends holding the placards "Cash Cow- Supply Chain profitability"
  - b. Three students - each student holding a placard with the words "Need", "Green" and "Logistics" in the university garden which had withered trees and brown leaves
  - c. A few young professionals stood in front of a high emissions trailer emitting smoke and had the placards "Reduce Carbon Footprint"
  - d. A few young professionals built a scaled model of an actual production plant out of Lego blocks and showed flow and identified waste with placards

#### **Steps:**

1. Take a picture as per the guidelines mentioned above
2. Upload on your social media profile (This could be Facebook/LinkedIn/Ren Ren) or any other social media you use in your country. Use an Innovative Title for the picture when uploading and tag SCNext (#SCNext, @SCNext)
3. Share with us a link to the photo on your profile AND also attach the photo in your email to us

Note: Once submitted, you give SCNext the right to use/distribute this photo (with credits to you) for various SCNext online and offline initiatives

#### **Special Mention:**

If you meet the SCNext Ingenious List (our equivalent of a college Dean's list or honors students or exceptional employees), your photo will appear on our website and the scholarship amount granted will be a 100%. Yes, you will be able to take the course for FREE!!!!!! We will inform you via our email if you made this list.

## Appendix C-Optional

### Recommendation Letters

#### Guidelines for Letter of Recommendation from University professor

The purpose of the letter is to

- Confirm your academic credentials claimed as part of the scholarship application process such as university, GPA etc.
- Get some insight from a credible source about your interest in the field of Operations, Supply Chain and Logistics and allied fields. We want our scholarships to go to students with long-term interest and passion into the field, who will contribute through research/practice towards betterment of supply chain in their countries

The letter should satisfy all of the following criteria

- Be drafted on the University letterhead
- Mention your Name, University, program name, expected graduation date and GPA as part of the letter
- Have some insights by the professor into your interest and career in the field of supply chain & logistics. Points to mention could include
  - Subjects taken/planned to be taken in this field
  - Research projects (past/current/future)
  - Extra and Co-Curricular activities that support interest in the field
  - Commitment towards future in this field if not having any significant activities thus far
  - Feel free to add anything else you think might make your case. We like creativity and appreciate something unique which you can show
- Be signed and dated by the same professor you put down in your application form in Step 1 of our process

Please scan this letter signed by the university professor and attach as part of the application. Keep the original with you for your record

#### Guidelines for Letter of Recommendation from Supervisor/Boss

The purpose of the letter is to

- Confirm your work credentials claimed as part of the scholarship application process such as company, job title etc.
- Get some insight from a credible source about your interest/contribution in the field of Operations, Supply Chain and Logistics and allied fields. We want our scholarships to go to

professionals with long-term interest and passion into the field, who will contribute through research/practice towards betterment of supply chain in their countries

The letter should satisfy all of the following criteria

- Be drafted on the Company letterhead
- Mention your Name, Job Title and brief description of your job duties
- Have some insights by your supervisor into your interest and career in the field of supply chain & logistics. Points to mention could include
  - The reasons for hiring you as a candidate
  - Highlights of your strengths, weaknesses, opportunities for improvements
  - Challenges faced by the company/ongoing projects and how you armed with the learnings from this course can help
  - Feel free to add anything else you think might make your case. We like creativity and appreciate something unique which you can show
- Be signed and dated by the same person you put down as supervisor/boss in the application Form for Step 1 of our process

Please scan this letter signed by your supervisor and attach as part of the application. Keep the original with you for your record