

2020 Global Women Scholarship Information & Application

About Global Women's Leadership Network

Credit unions can only realize their full potential and maintain their competitive advantage by bringing the distinctive vision that women leaders offer to transformative outcomes. In 2009, World Council established the [Global Women's Leadership Network](#) (GWLN) to tackle our industry's gender gap while also leveraging resources to strengthen the economic security of women and their families.

GWLN is open to all and includes the critical support, engagement and participation of men. This initiative aims to provide women in the credit union arena a safe forum to discuss issues to further their professional and personal journeys. Since its inception, the Network has engaged with more than 3,000 women and men from 82 countries worldwide. We serve our diverse membership through educational programming, networking opportunities, relationship building, and mentoring.

Scholarship Program Overview

As part of our mission to empower women worldwide, the Global Women's Leadership Network provides annual scholarships to 4 – 6 female leaders from the global credit union industry. Successful candidates will participate in all GWLN activities during the [2020 World Moving – A Joint Credit Union Conference](#) (WCUC), join educational sessions, diversify skill sets to make an impact, and have the opportunity to connect with other credit union professionals from around the globe.

Since 2009, Global Women has awarded **57** scholarships to women from **23** countries. Scholarships are made possible through funding from annual membership donations and sponsorships, including the generous support of [CUNA Mutual Group](#), [CU Direct](#), [PSCU](#) and the Susan Adams Scholarship Fund which was established in honor of former Entrust Financial Credit Union CEO Susan Adams supported by [One AZ Credit Union](#).

GWLN Activities at World Moving

Focusing on professional development, participants engage in interactive dialogue sessions, expand their knowledge and grow business relationships. Scholarship winners will participate in the GWLN Forum, breakout sessions, GWLN fundraising reception and the International Sister Society meeting. Scholars will meet with scholarship supporters, GWLN members and Sister Society leaders, as well as connect with conference attendees.

World Moving

World Moving is a joint Credit Union Conference with the Credit Union National Association (CUNA), the World Council's largest member. Attendees from around the globe include board members, CEO's, executive directors, senior management and more. We offer top-class educational sessions on key topics, networking opportunities without comparison and an excellent team-building environment that will facilitate and grow decision making. In 2020, World Moving will take place in Los Angeles, California on July 19 – 22.

Scholarship Eligibility/Criteria

- Recipients will be women leaders who are in the credit union movement.
- Recipients will have made a demonstrated leadership contribution to their community, organization and credit union system.
- Recipients will have a demonstrated financial need and would not otherwise be able to attend the conference without financial assistance.
- Preference will be given to recipients from diverse backgrounds who will be able to:
1) gain maximum benefit from the networking experience; 2) fully participate in and contribute to forum and conference events.
- Recipients will become active participants of GWLN activities throughout the year. Past scholarship winners (with the exception of immediate past year) may re-apply.
- The working language for the conference is English. Interpretation will be provided to speakers of other languages if a minimum of 10 participants of a common native language pre-register by May 1, 2020. Speakers of other languages must provide their own interpreters.
- GWLN Program Director and Chair will review applications and offer a limited number of successful applicants' assistance for registration fees and travel expense reimbursement
- Scholarship recipients must accept or decline within 15 days of being notified.

Participant Fee and Travel Assistance/Reimbursement

As a GWLN scholarship winner, you will receive the following:

- Complimentary one-year membership to the Global Women's Leadership Network
- Complimentary registration for the "Pay to Not Play" Golf Tournament and 19th Hole Reception, Tuesday, July 21, 2020
- Complimentary registration to 2020 World Moving
- Flight, hotel & per diem to attend World Moving in Los Angeles. Airfare includes coach-class only.

Scholarship Application: Due April 8, 2020

Complete the contact information and application questionnaire below. Attach a resume and submit application pack to cuwomen@woccu.org.

Name:

Credit Union:

Current Position/Title:

Aspired Position/Title:

Email:

Phone:

Age:

Questionnaire

1. Why are you interested in participating in the Global Women's Leadership Network? (250 words or less)
2. What are your career aspirations and how do you plan to reach your goals?
3. How long have you been in credit unions?
4. What do you do outside the credit union to further the credit union mission?
5. What is one thing your fellow GWLN members would be surprised to learn about you?
6. How would you describe yourself in 3 words?
7. Are you an existing Global Women's Leadership Network member?
8. Please confirm you have received permission from your supervisor and CEO to apply for the scholarship.
 - Yes
 - No

2020 Scholarship Timeline

March 8	International Women's Day GWLN scholarship application opens.
April 8	GWLN scholarship applications submission deadline.
May 1	GWLN scholarship winners announced.
July 19 – 22	GWLN scholars attend 2020 World Moving – A Joint Credit Union Conference – Los Angeles, CA, USA