



SOUTH DAKOTA BANKER'S FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

Dacotah Bank is a Member Bank of the South Dakota Bankers Foundation. In support with SDBA's mission statement, "Developing South Dakota Banking Industry Professionals," this scholarship is offered to build and sustain South Dakota's banking workforce.

Four \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to South Dakota College sophomore, junior, senior or grad student or second year SD Tech college student seeking employment in banking/financial services organization.

ELIGIBILITY

to be eligible for a Dacotah Bank SDBA Scholarship, you must meet all of the criteria:

- South Dakota College Sophomore, Junior, Senior or grad student or second year SD Tech college student seeking employment in banking/financial services organization.
- Students pursuing areas such as finance, business, IT, HR, marketing, etc. as long as their intent is to pursue a career in banking industry.

ESSAY QUESTIONS

Attach separately minimum 300 words for each question.

1. Dacotah Bank actively encourages employees to support and give back to the communities in which they work and live in, whether that is financial or deed-oriented. Giving and serving is consistent with Dacotah Bank's cultural history and current Mission, Vision, and Values. Please give examples of how you have given back to the community in which you live and/or go to school in.
2. From your perspective, how do you see the banking industry positively impacting economic development in your community?
3. In what ways do you see yourself leveraging the skills gained from this scholarship to make a positive impact on both your academic journey and your future contributions to the financial sector?

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

A panel will review all applications. A point system will be used as noted on the application. The panel will select four applicants to receive a \$1,000 Dacotah Bank scholarship payable to the recipient AND the school of the recipient's choice prior to the fall 2026 semester. If the recipient decides not to attend school in the fall of 2026, the scholarship may be withdrawn and awarded to the applicant who received the next best score from the judging panel. For additional information about the Dacotah Bank Scholarship program, please contact Haley Grandpre (605) 622-6367.



SUBMIT: by April 18, 2026

PDF document to include:

Personal Information • Application • Resume • Essay Questions

TO: **jessica.haas@dacotahbank.com**

Subject line of email: Dacotah Bank SDBA Scholarship - Last Name

Scholarship is sent directly to recipient's school from SD Banker's Association.



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Scholarship Application

Name:

Home Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone Number:

College currently attending:

Majors & Minors:

Anticipated Graduation Date (mm/dd/yyyy):

I certify that all the information I have provided for this application is current, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:

