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# ISSA Education Foundation

ISSA Individual, Chapter & Corporate Benefactors

# About ISSA Education Foundation

Empowering the Next Generation  
of Cybersecurity Experts

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## Who we are:

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The ISSA Education Foundation was founded in 2003 as a 501 (c) (3) public charity, qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the U.S. Tax Code.

## What we do:

The immediate goal of the Foundation is the establishment of grant and scholarship programs to assist individuals and organizations in attaining their educational goals within the Information Security field.

## Who we support:

- Students seeking post secondary scholarships
- Professionals seeking to strengthen their skills through Continuing Education grants

## Contact Us:

For information or to contact a board member, visit our website at: <https://www.issaef.org>, or e-mail us at: [information@issaef.org](mailto:information@issaef.org).

# Scholarships Program

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ISSA Education Foundation is excited to offer multiple opportunities to pursue Cybersecurity

- [ISSAEF Scholarships](#)
- [ISSA Chapter Scholarships](#)
- [CSA Professional Development Grant](#)
- [SANS E. Eugene Schultz, Jr. Memorial Training Grant](#)

Scholarship/Grant Application Period Opens February 1

Attention all current and future Cybersecurity Professionals. Let ISSA Education Foundation help fund your academic pursuits with scholarships and grants. See below for specific scholarships being offered by ISSAEF and ISSA Chapters, and sponsorships by SANS and CSA.

# Current Scholarships

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## ISSA Education Foundation Scholarships

*Must be sophomore, junior, senior or graduate level to be considered.*

- \$3,500 Howard A. Schmidt Memorial Scholarship for undergraduate studies
- \$3,500 E. Eugene Schultz, Jr., Memorial Scholarship for graduate studies
- \$2,000 Shon Harris (Women in Security) Memorial Scholarship for undergraduate or graduate studies
- \$2,000 Docent Institute scholarship for undergraduate or graduate studies

## Alamo ISSA Chapter

- \$2,000 George “Chip” Meadows Memorial Scholarship for any 4-year San Antonio College or University
- \$1,500 Alamo Women’s Scholarship any 4-year San Antonio College or University
- \$1,500 Alamo Minority Scholarship any 4-year San Antonio College or University
- \$1,000 Scholarship to any Alamo College District’s five colleges in the San Antonio area
- \$500 Five (5) Alamo ISSA Chapter scholarships for any 2or 4-year San Antonio College

# Continuing Education Grants for Professionals

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## CSA Professional Development Grant

- Up to \$2,000 annually for individuals seeking to increase their knowledge and understanding of cybersecurity.

## SANS E. Eugene Schultz, Jr. Memorial Grant

- One SANS training course offered to professionals seeking to increase knowledge and skills in cybersecurity.

# ISSA Member & Individual Benefactor

## Individual Giving

### One Time Donation

Donate at [www.issaef.org](http://www.issaef.org)

### Planned or Monthly Giving

Recognition on website and our annual list of donors  
contact [treasurer@issaef.org](mailto:treasurer@issaef.org) for more details or to set up

### Legacy or Memorial Donation

Contact [treasurer@issaef.org](mailto:treasurer@issaef.org) to learn how you can include ISSAEF in your own legacy giving plan

### Ph.D. Program

Persons holding a Ph.D. in Cybersecurity or related field may create a named scholarship for Ph.D. studies. Minimum commitment \$2000 per year for 3 years.

## Benefactor Tiers

- \$100 - listed on ISSAEF website
- \$500 - & listed annually in ISSA Journal
- \$1,000 - & listed on ISSA website
- \$2,000 named scholarship for Ph.D. studies with 3-year commitment - will be promoted on social media and in scholarship materials

# ISSA Chapters

- *Working Together for the Greater Good*

ISSA Chapters are invited to help create awareness of the Foundation and its scholarships within their local community and universities. These activities are mutually beneficial, so we invite your chapter to suggest other ways to work with the Foundation.

## Donate as a Chapter

- Logo on website
- Mention in Journal
- Social Media

## Chapter Scholarship Administration

- Chapter fundraises, foundation administers, both publicize

## Benefactor Tiers

- \$500 – listed on ISSAEF website
- \$1,000 – & listed annually in ISSA Journal
- \$1,500 – & may have named scholarship with 3-year commitment

## Creating a new Chapter Scholarship?

Contact [scholarships@issaef.org](mailto:scholarships@issaef.org) for more info and a planning guide

# CORPORATE BENEFACTORS

CORPORATE BENEFACTOR BENEFITS	DIAMOND \$10,000	PLATINUM \$5,000	GOLD \$2,500	SILVER \$1,500	BRONZE \$500
<b>ISSA Education Foundation Benefits</b>					
Recognition on ISSAEF website (combined benefactor page)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Logo on select ISSAEF emails & application materials	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Tier pricing locked in for up to three years with commitment of three years	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Logo on ISSAEF webcasts (*Sole sponsor options for Gold and above)	✓	✓	✓		
Named (company or memorial) scholarship or grant	✓	✓	✓		
Logo used in slideshows at ISSAEF scholarship & awards banquet	✓	✓	✓		
Seat on Scholarship Selection Committee for Named Scholarship	✓	✓	✓		
Social Media collaboration w/Benefactor	✓	✓			
Top Benefactor logos will be included in key marketing / press releases	✓ *	✓	*Individualized press release highlighting partnership w/Diamond		
Diamond benefactor logo displayed on ISSAEF website front page	✓				
<b>ISSA Benefits</b>					
Prominent signage at joint ISSA scholarship & awards banquet	✓	✓	✓		
Recognition in ISSA Journal	✓ w/logo	✓ w/logo	✓ w/logo		
Advertisement in ISSA Journal	✓	✓			
Signage at any joint ISSA/ISSAEF events	✓	✓			

*Your tax-deductible donation helps to build the next generation of cybersecurity experts*

# 2026 ISSAEF Corporate Scholarship Benefactors



## 2026 ISSA Chapter Donors

- Alamo Chapter
- Others pending

# 2026 ISSAEF Individual Scholarship Benefactors

- Alamo Chapter
- Others pending

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- Others pending

# To Contribute

All donations are tax deductible under the U.S. tax code. ISSA Education Foundation is a registered 501 (c) (3) charitable organization.

Donations not made on the website can be sent by check payable and mailed to:

ISSA Education Foundation  
c/o Mr. Richard Mosher, Treasurer ISSAEF  
577 S. Carriage Crossing  
Nixa, MO 65714

Please contact us to request an invoice or tax documentation.

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**THANK YOU!**

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*Your contribution matters!*