

The Salman Afzaal Memorial Scholarship

BACKGROUND

This nomination-based award was initiated in 2021 in memoriam of Salman Afzaal, a Western University Alumnus of the School of Physical Therapy. Salman provided kindness, caring and assistance to seniors living in care homes throughout southwestern Ontario, helping them to maintain mobility and independence in their later years. Once per year, \$500 will be awarded to one successful recipient from the London Orthopaedic Unit with the purpose of supporting individuals who promote diversity in physiotherapy practice.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

- The individual must be a member of the Canadian Physiotherapy Association/Ontario Physiotherapy Association, and a member of the London Orthopaedic Unit (LOU).
- The individual must have an active college license and be involved in direct patient care.
- Applicant can be nominated by self or other.
- Please provide 500-1000 words on how you or your nominee promotes diversity in physiotherapy practice.

SELECTION OF CANDIDATE

- The LOU executive will select the recipient.
- Priority given to those who have either worked or volunteered in the public sector.
- Priority given to those who have either worked or volunteered with vulnerable population(s).
- Promoting or advocating physiotherapy for new immigrants

FORM OF AWARD

- Public recognition at LOU's Annual General Meeting
- A cheque in the amount of \$ 500.00

APPLICATION PROCESS

The application must include:

1. A statement describing how yourself or the individual you are nominating contributes to and promotes diversity in physiotherapy (500-1000 words)

2. Curriculum Vitae or resume of the applicant

Applications must be submitted electronically to the LOU Executive no later than March 20th each year.

Award winners will be notified by the end of March of each year.

For further information, please contact the London Orthopaedic Division Executive Email: <u>londonorthounit519@gmail.com</u>

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<u>N.B.</u> The decision process is based on the information provided by the applicant. The Awards Committee will not seek out additional information. Incomplete submissions will not be considered.

Demographic Information:	
Name of Applicant:	
Address of Applicant:	
Phone:	Email:
CPA #:	LOU Member: Yes / No
Primary Area of Practice:	
Statement of Interest:	
Signature:	Date:

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: Postmarked no later than <u>March 20th</u> of each year.

Send to: London Orthopaedic Unit Executive - Awards Committee

Email: <u>londonorthounit519@gmail.com</u>