

WORLD COUNCIL YOUNG CREDIT UNION PROFESSIONALS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



The World Council Young Credit Union Professionals (WYCUP) program offers an annual scholarship to promote and engage the next generation of credit union leaders in the international credit union movement. Up to five outstanding nominees, who have made significant contributions to their credit union or financial cooperative services systems and have the potential to make a global impact, are awarded the scholarship. The 2020 WYCUP scholarship opens the door to your all-expense-paid attendance at the 2021 World Credit Union Conference in Glasgow, Scotland.

Why you should be a WYCUP nominee:

You are 40 or younger, you are passionate about credit unions and other financial cooperatives and you are making a difference in your community. Join a tight-knit group of young professionals from around the world to learn about the phenomenal work they do and share your own experience.

Why your organization should sponsor you:

By participating in the WYCUP program, not only will you learn new concepts and practices from the educational sessions, but you will have the opportunity to meet other young professionals and exchange ideas about the global issues facing our industry. Credit unions and other financial cooperatives need to invest in their future and that means investing in young leaders like you.

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for the WYCUP scholarship, individuals must:

1. Be 40 years of age or younger on January 1, 2020.
2. Demonstrate leadership, personal commitment and the potential to significantly influence credit unions or financial cooperatives in or outside their country.
3. Be active employee and/or volunteer with a credit union or other financial cooperative.
4. Be endorsed by a credit union, financial cooperative or other group affiliated with or part of a member organization of the World Council of Credit Unions.
5. Not have been a previous WYCUP scholarship recipient or a current World Council employee.

Nomination Checklist

An eligible nomination for the WYCUP scholarship includes the following:

1. A nomination form completed by the nominee and their sponsor.
2. Responses to the essays as noted in the nomination form.
3. Proof of age (e.g., copy of passport, driver's license, birth certificate or other official document).
4. A three-to-five minute video of the nominee. The video will be evaluated based on the content, not the quality of the production. Cell phone or other means of video collection are acceptable. Please ensure the video is recorded landscape/horizontally. Nominees must upload their videos to YouTube, titled: "Your Name - WYCUP 2020" and submit the link. Click [here](#) to watch past WYCUP scholarship recipient videos. Please answer the following questions in your video: a) Why are you passionate about working for your organization and the credit union or financial cooperative industry? b) How are you helping the future of the industry and/or your community through your work, whether directly through your organization and/or as a volunteer? c) What does being a cooperative mean to you?

All nomination materials become the property of World Council. Photographs taken at the annual conference may be used for promotional purposes in World Council educational, news or promotional material, whether in print, electronic or other media, including the World Council website.

Submitting a Nomination

WYCUP scholarship nominations must be received by no later than 11:59 pm CDT on Friday, May 29, 2020. Nominations and any inquiries should be directed to the following email: WYCUP@woccu.org.

Selection Process

World Council will review all nominations and select up to five scholarship recipients based on the criteria included in the eligibility requirements. The WYCUP scholarship includes the conference registration fee, travel costs, hotel accommodations and meals to attend the 2021 World Credit Union Conference.

Scholarship Recipient Responsibilities

1. Scholarship recipients will be expected to provide quarterly updates throughout the 12 months following their award, documenting their continued efforts to influence credit unions, credit union members and other emerging credit union professionals. These updates should be provided to World Council in written format (PDF) or as video file formats (MP4 or AVI files)
2. Scholarship recipients are also expected to play an active role throughout the year following their award, promoting WYCUP and participating on the WYCUP Steering Committee responsible for planning the strategic direction and professional development program content.
3. Scholarship recipients and their sponsoring organizations will be required to sign a commitment letter confirming these responsibilities and indicating that failure to meet these responsibilities will result in forfeiture of the scholarship.

2020 WYCUP NOMINATION FORM to be completed by **NOMINEE**

1. Nominee's Personal Details

Name:	Contact Phone:
Email:	Age on 1/1/2020:
Address:	Country:

I meet the WYCUP scholarship eligibility requirements and have submitted all of the required information listed in the nomination checklist.

2. Credit Union or Other Financial Cooperative Information

Contact details of the credit union or other financial cooperative that you are employed by or volunteer for; not necessarily the sponsor of your WYCUP nomination.

Name of organization:
Asset size in U.S. dollars:\$

Type of organization (Check one):

Credit Union Credit Union Trade Organization Credit Union Service Organization Other financial cooperative

Address:
Phone:
Email:
Website:

List your position(s) in or your association with credit union or other financial cooperative:

Essay 1: In 100 words or less, describe your role and responsibilities in your credit union or financial cooperative organization. (Use a separate sheet.)

Essay 2: in 300 words or less, describe the contributions you have made to advance your organization as well as your demonstrated leadership within the industry. Please provide specific examples of your leadership initiatives. (Use a separate sheet.)

Essay 3: In 300 words or less, provide any additional information concerning your volunteer work and your personal commitment beyond your role at the credit union or financial cooperative to impact your community and/or influence the cooperative industry. (Use a separate sheet.)

2020 WYCUP NOMINATION FORM to be completed by **SPONSOR**

4. Sponsor's Information (to be completed by sponsoring credit union or organization)

Name/address of organization sponsoring WYCUP nominee:

Name of contact person:

Phone:

Contact's Job Title:

Website:

Contact's Email:

5. Reason for Sponsoring Nominee

a. I confirm that this organization is pleased to sponsor as a nominee for the 2020 WYCUP scholarship program. We have chosen to sponsor our nominee for the following reasons:

b. Our nominee was selected by (please check one box):

Local, regional or national competition

Internal competition

Nominee's initiative

Sponsor's initiative

Other, please describe:

6. Confirmation of Sponsor's Nomination

Name of person responsible for the sponsorship:

Job title: