The Outstanding Student of the Year award is given annually to a College of General Studies student who has achieved academic excellence and has demonstrated a distinguished record of service and leadership to the University, and/or the community. This scholarship is based primarily on the candidate’s academic performance, written statement, recommendations, and interview.

The recipient(s) receives a one-time $1000 award from the CGS Student Government. The recipient’s name is engraved on the CGS Student Government wall display in the William Pitt Union. The scholarship will be awarded for the Fall semester. The winner will be expected to attend the “Excellence in CGS” reception in April.

Eligibility Requirements
- Candidates must be currently enrolled in the College of General Studies and have earned at least 30 credits at the University of Pittsburgh, of which at least 15 must be in the College of General Studies.
- Candidates must have a minimum Q.P.A. of 3.00.
- All candidates for this scholarship must be recommended by two (2) faculty members, advisors or other qualified professionals.

Decision Criteria
Students will be evaluated on the following criteria:
- Academic performance
- Prominent leadership or service in the College of General Studies Student Government, student organizations, University or College committees, University, local or global communities

Application Requirements
- Application form
- Two recommendations
- University of Pittsburgh transcript (this can be an unofficial transcript)
- A written statement regarding your major accomplishments relating to the decision criteria above
- Interview

Complete the above information and attach the following:
- Two recommendations
- University of Pittsburgh transcript (this can be an unofficial transcript)
- Written statement

Submit to:
Return this application with all required materials in a sealed manila envelope to the McCarl Center reception desk, addressed with your Name and Peoplesoft ID to “CGS Student Gov’t Scholarship”. The receptionist will place the manila envelope in the CGS Student Gov’t Mailbox. Requests of receipt confirmation can be sent to: cgssg@pitt.edu
Applicant: Please use this form to compile a short written statement profiling your academic performance and prominent leadership or service in the College of General Studies Student Government student organizations, University or College committees, University, local or global communities.

Applicant's Name: _________________________________________________________________

E-mail: _______________________________ Phone: _______________________________

Please attach additional sheets, if necessary

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