

Hello fellow ASCLS-MT members,

On behalf of the ASCLS-MT board, I would like to bring to your attention some of the upcoming state awards for 2025. Please consider nominating your fellow ASCLS-MT members for one of these awards! More information can be found at <https://www.ascls-mt.org/awards-scholarships>.

Please review the requirements for submission for each award below and submit nominations for Member of Year, Paper of the Year, and Student of the Year by March 15. Student Poster of the Year will be voted on at the ASCLS-MT Spring Meeting. Nominations for these awards can be submitted by emailing your ASCLS-MT Awards and Scholarships committee members:

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Awards will be presented at the ASCLS-MT Spring Meeting.

DEADLINE: MARCH 15

Member of the Year Award

Any ASCLS-MT member is eligible to nominate someone for this award. A short essay needs to be received from the nominator, describing the merits of the nominee as an individual and as an active member of ASCLS-MT. If more than one person is nominated, the Awards & Scholarship committee chooses the winner. The winner receives a plaque sponsored by ASCLS-MT and a cash award. The winner also becomes the nominee from our state for the National ASCLS Constituent Society Member of the Year Recognition.

Paper of the Year Award

ASCLS-MT members are eligible to submit a paper on a topic pertaining to clinical laboratory science. The paper should be either a research paper, a case study, or a scientific literature review. Research papers should address scientific as well as applicable educational, technical, administrative, consulting and management studies. Case studies should address any unusual, interesting and unique manifestation of a disease etiology, pathology, clinical syndrome, complications and prognosis, known or unknown. Literature reviews describe current knowledge including substantive findings, as well as theoretical and methodological contributions to a particular topic.

If more than one paper is submitted, the Awards & Scholarship Committee chooses the winner. The winner of this award receives a cash award.

Student of the Year Award

Education coordinators or Instructors may nominate a student for this award by submitting a short letter describing how their nominee meets the following 6 criteria used in judging. A [Google Form](#) is available to be filled out by the nominated student.

Students will be judged in six criteria:

- Academic and Commitment to Learning (15 points)
- Team Contributions, such as leading or participating in extra projects/ assignments (15 points)
- Overcoming Obstacles (15 points)
- Community Service in the past 2 years (15 points)
- Indicators of the Student's Performance and Commitment to the Profession (20 points)
- Being an ASCLS Member, Participating in the Spring Meeting or other ASCLS-MT activities (20 points)

If more than one student is nominated, the Awards & Scholarship Committee will choose the winner or may ask the ASCLS-MT Board for input. The winner of this award receives a cash award.

Student Poster of the Year Award

Students who present their poster pertaining to clinical laboratory science at the ASCLS-MT Spring Meeting are eligible for this award. Spring Meeting attendees will vote on the Student Poster of the Year. The winner of this award receives a cash award.

Questions about a national award? Contact awards@ascls.org and include the title of the award in the subject line of the email.

Questions about a state award? Contact either of your ASCLS-MT Awards and Scholarships committee members:

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Kind regards,

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ASCLS-MT Board Member

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