

Lou Cagnina 2013 JASC Scholarship

BACKGROUND: Lou Cagnina was a participant in the 48th Japan-America Student Conference (JASC) as a student at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, majoring in biology. After earning a Master of Public Health degree from the University of Illinois, Lou joined the Aetna organization. During his career at Aetna, he held several positions of increasing responsibility and completed his MBA at DePaul University. Lou was diagnosed with brain cancer at the age of 31. As a cancer survivor, he inspired everyone who knew him with his determination, grace, courage, and humor. Lou was always looking to give back and was instrumental in raising countless dollars for the American Brain Tumor Association. Sadly, Lou passed away in 2007 at the age of 36. Lou will always be remembered by his family and friends for his commitment to continual learning, desire to help others, positive attitude and passion for living each and every day to its fullest. The Lou Cagnina Memorial Scholarship has been formed in his memory to provide funding for a student to enjoy the JASC experience as Lou once did.

AMOUNT AVAILABLE: The scholarship will provide \$3500 for one student to attend JASC that may not otherwise have the chance to participate in the conference.

HOW TO APPLY: Email your responses to the questions on this form (1 page or less) to jasc@iscdc.org and complete the online application process.

DEADLINE: March 1, 2013

WHEN AWARDS WILL BE MADE: Recipients will be notified before April 1, 2013

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact ISC office [202-289-9088](tel:202-289-9088) or email at jasc@iscdc.org

1. Statement of Need:

Please provide a 500 word or less statement of need. Include any relevant information about your financial situation-family background, current academic financial aid received, etc.

2. Is this scholarship the only means by which you can participate in JASC? (Yes or No, if yes, please provide a brief explanation)

3. In 250 words or less, please describe how you have made a positive difference in someone's life.