



ALSRT Next Generation Grant 2023

I. Purpose

This award was developed to promote an ongoing commitment to the profession of medical imaging and radiation therapy, provide opportunities for student groups to engage in educational and social activities with other professionals, and to provide the next generation of radiographers insight into the value of affiliate membership.

- a. One grant valued at up to \$500 will be awarded annually to a student group meeting eligibility requirements.
- b. The grant will reimburse a student group for the following expenses only, up to a value of \$500:
 - ALSRT student membership fees
 - Student registration fees for an ALSRT conference

II. Eligibility

- a. This grant is awarded to a student group enrolled in an Alabama radiologic sciences or radiation therapy program which prepares graduates for certification by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.
- b. A student group is defined as 4 or more students from the same educational program who are preparing for graduation on the same date.
- c. Only one student group may apply per educational program each year.
- d. Each individual within the student group must be an ALSRT member at the time of application submission.
- e. Payment of membership fees and/or conference registration fees must be complete for each student-group participant prior to application submission.
- f. Student groups should apply for grant funding that would reimburse expenses in a way that best fits their needs. A few examples:
 - A class of 7 students applies for reimbursement of membership fees for all 7 students (\$70) plus conference registration reimbursement for the 4 students who will compete on student bowl team (\$400). Total grant request would be for \$470 reimbursement.
 - A class of 21 students has 10 students who wish to participate in the annual conference and grant application. They apply for conference registration reimbursement of \$500, and plan to reimburse each of the 10 grant-application participants \$50 if the grant is won.
 - A class of 30 students applies for membership fee reimbursement for the entire class. Total grant request would be \$300.
 - A class of 10 students applies for reimbursement of \$500 which will be split between the 7 students who are registered for the conference as a student bowl, poster, or essay competition participant.

III. Application Process

- a. A student-group representative must complete and submit the application, but should seek input from fellow members of the student group. The application/essay must be an original work created by the applicant(s), and should not include anything that violates any copyright.
- b. The student-group representative must obtain Program Director signature/approval for application submission. This will include verification of the accuracy of the application and willingness to accept and distribute grant funds to the student group in the event group is awarded the grant.
- c. ALSRT membership and conference registration records will be used to verify expenditures reported on this application. If fees were paid through the program, an understanding between the student-group representative and the Program Director must be agreed upon and explained in the application as to how grant funds would be distributed.
- d. Grant applications are due by midnight **March 25** with winning student group announced during the ALSRT Annual Conference.
- e. The student-group representative will be notified when the application has been received.
- f. Applications that are incomplete, inaccurate, or not anonymized on Part II of the application will be disqualified and the student-group representative notified.
- g. Completed applications should be emailed to contactus@alsrt.org. They may also be mailed to ALSRT, P.O. Box 8641, Mobile, AL 36689, but if mailed, must be postmarked March 22 in order to assure delivery by **March 25**.

IV. Selection Process

- a. The ALSRT secretary will verify student-group memberships and record of membership and/or registration fee payments. When verified, Part II of the application will be coded as student group A, B, C, etc. In that way, judges will receive Part II of the applications that do not reveal the identity of the program. Part I of the application will remain with the ALSRT secretary.
- b. The ALSRT secretary and president will identify a minimum of three judges to evaluate and assign a score to each Part II application based on a grading rubric. The grant will be awarded to the application with the highest score. Judges will have no connection to student groups that may submit grant applications.
- c. Applications will be judged on clarity and detail, strength of argument, and mechanics. See judges grading rubric included. The application will require a response to a short essay question/statement.
- d. Grant awards will be paid within 10 business days following the ALSRT Annual Conference, with check sent to the Program Director for distribution.
- e. Winning student groups participating in the Annual Conference should be prepared to have a group photo made at the conclusion of the conference. If the winning student group is not participating in the Annual Conference, they will be asked to provide a group photo within 10 business days of the Annual Conference. This photo may be posted on the ALSRT website and/or used on social media.

- f. The ALSRT reserves the right to disqualify a student group that does not fulfill the participation plan outlined in the grant application (e.g., fewer participated in conference or student competition activities).
- g. ALSRT may use the essay response in our marketing efforts online or via social media.

Questions? contactus@alsrt.org

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ALSRT Next Generation Grant Application

Part I

Group ID

ALSRT will use this portion of the application to establish a student-group contact and to verify membership and/or conference registration payments made by or on behalf of student-group members. This is a fillable form that can be completed, printed and saved, then should be signed as indicated. Part I of the grant application will be processed by the ALSRT office.

1. Name of person completing application [Click here to enter text.](#)
2. Email address [Click here to enter text.](#)
3. Daytime phone # [Click here to enter text.](#)
4. Name of Program [Click here to enter text.](#)
5. Student Group Status [Choose an item.](#)
6. How many total students are enrolled in this class/cohort at the time of grant application? [Click here to enter text.](#)
7. How many students are in the grant-application student group? [Click here to enter text.](#)
8. How much money is being requested by your student group? [Click here to enter text.](#)
9. How will your Program Director distribute funds if you are awarded this grant?
[Click here to enter text.](#)
10. Other than this grant application, how has this grant-application student group sought to gain financial support for ALSRT membership or conference attendance? [Click here to enter text.](#)
11. Provide the names of each student within the grant-application student group
[Click here to enter text.](#)
12. Are all students within the grant application student group ALSRT student members at time of grant application? [Choose an item.](#)
13. List the line item student-group expenses that would be reimbursed if you receive the grant award. List each student name and their reported expense, or if funds will be divided among the student group members, explain how distribution will be accomplished.
[Click here to enter text.](#)

Student group representative: By signing below, you indicate understanding of the grant guidelines.

Signature of student group representative

Date

Program Director: By signing below you verify support of this group, the accuracy of this application, and willingness to accept responsibility for distribution of funds should your student group be selected.

Signature of Program Director

Date

ALSRT Next Generation Grant Application Part II:

Complete the remainder of the grant application without indicating your school affiliation or any other identifying feature that might disclose your school affiliation to a judge.

1. Create a WORD document in 12 pt. font that includes the following title:

ALSRT Next Generation Grant Application: Part II

Essay Question: How might involvement in your state affiliate contribute to or impact knowledge, professional development, or your career?
2. Provide a short essay (600-800 words) that answers the essay question.
3. Submit this portion of the application as a separate document, but submit at the same time Part I of the application is submitted.
4. Submit applications to contactus@alsrt.org by midnight **March 25**.
5. Part II (essay) alone will be evaluated by the judges, and will be identified only as student-group applicant A, B, C, etc.

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ALSRT Next Generation Grant Evaluation

Group ID

Judges should use the following criteria to evaluate each application:

I.	Detail & Clarity		Points Possible	Points Assigned
	A.	Relevant detail provided to explain	0 – 5	
	B.	Developed in a way that promotes clarity	0 – 5	

II.	Strength of Argument			
	A.	Description of impact on education and professional growth well-articulated	0 – 10	
	B.	Description of the role and impact of the state affiliate is well-articulated	0 – 10	
	C.	Essay effectively supports the argument presented and is convincing	0 – 10	

III.	Mechanics			
	A.	No grammar, spelling, or punctuation errors	0 – 5	
	B.	Organized in a clear, logical, easy to read format	0 – 5	
	C.	Met word-count target for essay (600-800 words)	+5 if yes -5 if no	
Total Points			55 possible	

Comments (optional):

Judge (Print)

Judge (Signature)

Date

Judges: Please return this form (completed individually for each student-group application) to:

contactus@alsrt.org