



## SEELOS GRANT FOR IGNATIAN LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Thanks to funding from the *Blessed Francis X. Seelos, C.Ss.R, Fund*, Alpha Sigma Nu announces the Seelos Grant, founded to promote Ignatian-inspired student leadership at our Chapters, in our communities, and out in the world. The Seelos grants remove the financial barriers to student ΑΣΝ members who wish to participate in Ignatian-inspired leadership programs.

The Seelos grants provide funding for student members to attend Ignatian leadership conferences, social justice conferences, and other Ignatian leadership training opportunities, with the intention that they enhance their skills as Chapter and campus leaders, change-makers and Jesuit collaborators. Student members can apply for a grant of up to \$750 to cover costs of programs in line with the mission of ΑΣΝ. (International members: Please refer to this [additional information](#) regarding international applications on the Alpha Sigma Nu website.)

Specifically, the 2024 grants will fund attendance at the following:

**[National Jesuit Student Leadership Conference](#)** from July 16-20, 2024 at John Carroll University (Cleveland, OH): Hosted by the Jesuit Association of Student Personnel Administrators, this conference gathers student leaders from various Jesuit schools and universities together to examine current student issues and explore ways to address them, strengthen leadership skills, and discover how to better serve their colleges and universities in the Jesuit tradition.

**[Ignatian Justice Summit for College Students](#)** from July 23-26, 2024 at John Carroll University (Cleveland, OH): Hosted by the Ignatian Solidarity Network, the Summit brings together students from Jesuit and other Catholic universities who are passionate about driving change for more socially just local and global communities. The program provides formation in the areas of leadership, social justice, and Ignatian spirituality.

**[Ignatian Family Teach-in for Justice](#)** from October 28-30, 2024 in Washington, DC: Hosted by the Ignatian Solidarity Network, this annual gathering is for members of the Ignatian family, Jesuit Institutions and larger church to come together in the context of social justice and solidarity to learn, reflect, pray, network, and advocate together.

**Other:** Submit the Seelos application for another Jesuit- and/or Ignatian-sponsored conference or program that deepens and develops your understanding of leadership in the Ignatian tradition and social justice in the world.

## **Eligibility**

A student receiving a Seelos grant shall be an Alpha Sigma Nu member in good academic and disciplinary standing with the university and enrolled full-time for the academic year 2023-24 and/or 2024-2025.

## **Expectations**

Alpha Sigma Nu, along with the *Blessed Francis X. Seelos, C.Ss.R, Fund*, founded these grants to increase our members' Ignatian leadership skills, and contribute these skills to their Chapter, and extend these skills and their experience beyond graduation in service to others. Networking, brainstorming, and planning with other AΣN delegates is not only expected but a benefit of attendance with this grant. A Zoom call prior to the conference with all Seelos grantees may be required outlining the expectations. All grantees must sign a Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement and a Photo Release form (to be provided, if granted).

**Post-conference expectations:** Alpha Sigma Nu requires grant recipients to submit post-conference reflections to the AΣN Central Office which may be shared with the members of the AΣN board and benefactors, Chapter Faculty Adviser, and other University administrators. Other expectations or use of reflections statements will be communicated on a case-by-case basis.

## **Your university's delegation**

Grantees will contact your university's student development/leadership/student government to alert them to your attendance at the selected conference. You may be able to connect and collaborate with the delegation's activities and meetings.

## **Application**

The application for the Seelos Grant can be found [here](#) Please direct questions to Amy O'Neil at amy.oneil@marquette.edu.

Only one application can be submitted per member per year. Funding is limited and not all requests will be granted. All applications are reviewed by the AΣN staff and two members of the Board of Directors. Seelos Grants will be awarded on a rolling basis.

## **The Grant and Conference Expenses**

The Seelos Grant can be used to cover fees for registration, room and board during the conference dates, and select transportation pending total cost of travel.

| Conference                                    | Conference Application Deadline   | AΣN Seelos Application Deadline                                |
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| Ignatian Justice Summit for College Students  | Early bird registration: April 22<br>Registration deadline: June 12<br>Payment deadline: July 1 | Early consideration: April 15<br>General consideration: June 5 |
| National Jesuit Student Leadership Conference | TBA   | May 31, 2024   |
| Ignatian Family Teach-In for Justice          | TBA   | August 2, 2024   |
| Other   | Rolling   | At least three months prior to the conference                  |

More information about Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos and the Seelos Shrine can be found at <http://www.seelos.org/lifeBiography.html>.

**Alpha Sigma Nu reserves the right to deny applications and rescind grants if the applicant does not adhere to the requirements outlined.**

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*Mission: Alpha Sigma Nu, the honor society of Jesuit institutions of higher education, recognizes those students who distinguish themselves in scholarship, loyalty and service. The only honor society permitted to bear the name Jesuit, AΣN encourages its members to a lifetime pursuit of intellectual development, deepening Ignatian spirituality, service to others, and a commitment to the core principles of Jesuit education.*