The Robert S. Karam Scholarship was established in 2001 at the University of Massachusetts to provide financial assistance to motivated students from the country of Lebanon and/or alumni of Durfee High School in Fall River who are serious about their education and are in need of financial assistance.

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible, you must meet the following criteria:

• Be a current freshman, sophomore, or junior at any University of Massachusetts campus

• Be a graduate of B. M. C. Durfee High School in Fall River, Massachusetts; or be from Lebanon or be the child or grandchild of someone who is or was a citizen of Lebanon

• Have a minimum grade point average of 2.5

• Demonstrate personal financial contribution toward educational costs

• Preference will be given to business and engineering majors

Nomination and Selection Process

Last Monday in February
Applications mailed to UMass students who are B. M. C. Durfee High School graduates or from Lebanon.

Last Monday in March
Application deadline. Please submit application with a personal statement and transcript to the:

University Scholarship Committee
Attn: Mary Ellen Yates
University of Massachusetts Foundation
225 Franklin Street, Floor 12
Boston, MA 02110

First Friday in May
Finalists will be selected and notified.
About Robert S. Karam

Robert (Bob) Karam is a Principal of Karam Financial Group, located in his home town of Fall River, Massachusetts. His concentration is in the conceptual design, funding, and administration of executive benefit programs and other qualified plans. He owns and operates, with his brother James, two radio stations, WSAR 1480 AM and WHTB 1400 AM, located in the South Coast of Massachusetts. Bob Karam also develops industrial and residential real estate.

Mr. Karam received his B.A. degree in Business Administration from UMass Dartmouth in 1967, and is a Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU), a Chartered Financial Consultant (CFC), and a Registered Employee Benefit Consultant (REBC).

Bob has devoted much of his time serving his community and is a former Chairman, Board of Trustees, University of Massachusetts and Chairman, Board of Trustees of UMass Memorial Health Care. Mr. Karam has also served as a former member and past Chairman, Board of Trustees, Southeastern Massachusetts University. He currently serves on the Policyholder Protective Board (PPB) of Savings Bank Life Insurance and the Board of Directors at A.D. Makepeace, Inc.

He is a recipient of numerous awards for his community service, such as the New Bedford Chamber of Commerce Regional Leadership Award; Honorary Degree Recipient, UMass Doctor of Humane Letter; Honorary Degree Recipient, Southern New England School of Law; and the Greater Fall River Area Chamber of Commerce, Outstanding Citizen Award.

Mr. Karam is the husband of Susan (Hutchinson) Karam; the father of two children, Stephen Karam and Melissa Panchley; and five-times a grandfather to Julia, Justin, and John Karam, as well as Thomas and Christopher Panchley.

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