



Graduate School of Banking

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NATIONWIDE GSB-WISCONSIN SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED

Madison, Wis. – The Graduate School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin-Madison is pleased to announce the recipients of its 2021 nationwide scholarships. The following bankers have been selected for these scholarships and will begin the 25-month GSB experience this summer:

Mindy Bobay, chief financial officer, The Hicksville Bank, Hicksville, Ohio, received one of two *Prochnow Educational Foundation GSB At-Large Outstanding Leader Scholarships*, which recognize contributions and leadership potential in the banking industry. The second *Outstanding Leader Scholarship* has been awarded to **Kourtney Piepenburg**, chief digital officer; vice president, strategic project management, Falcon National Bank, Sartell, Minnesota.

Michelle Pair, Broadway Bank, San Antonio, Texas, has received the *Ann Kleist Scholarship*, which recognizes community service and volunteerism, in honor of longtime GSB vice president Ann Kleist and her commitment to the community.

Austin Havlik, vice president, First Dakota National Bank, Mitchell, South Dakota, who served in the South Dakota Air National Guard, has been awarded the *Association of Military Banks of America (AMBA) Scholarship*, which honors the memory of Raleigh A. "Andy" Trovillion, former GSB faculty member and AMBA board chairman. Bankers must be serving or have served honorably as an active duty, Reserve, or National Guard member of one of the Armed Services of the United States or be a military spouse or spouse of a veteran to be eligible.

More than \$300,000 in funds is available annually for scholarships to attend the Graduate School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Some scholarships are awarded through GSB's sponsoring state bankers associations while others are available nationwide. Scholarships are awarded to incoming first-year students only and are renewed annually. Bankers interested in starting the GSB experience are encouraged to visit the [scholarship page](#) on the GSB website; applications for the 2022 session will be posted in October, 2021.

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