

## Featured News

### Your Donations In Action

Thanks to generous contributions to the ASE Foundation's 2025 Annual Appeal, we were able to award **25** student scholarships. Your support allows us to foster the next generation of cardiovascular ultrasound professionals and ensures that echocardiography will continue to play a prominent role in the future of healthcare.

Join us in congratulating our 2026 student scholarship award winners. Each student will receive a \$1,000 USD scholarship to support their school expenses, complimentary registration to the [ASE 2026 Scientific Sessions](#), and a \$1,000 USD travel grant to support their attendance at the meeting in Aurora, CO.

### Katanick Student Scholarship Award Winner

- **Yu Liu**, Johns Hopkins Hospital School of Cardiac Sonography, Baltimore, MD

### Alan D. Waggoner Student Scholarship Award Winners

- **Ehdaa Blackwell**, Mayo Clinic School of Health Sciences ACS Program, Rochester, MN
- **Hailey Calliguri**, Aurora St. Luke's Medical Center School of Diagnostic Medical Sonography, Milwaukee, WI
- **Jacob A. Castanho**, Grossmont College, Cardiovascular Technology Program, El Cajon, CA
- **Sara Crain**, Milwaukee Area Technical College, Milwaukee, WI
- **Chris Dube**, Duke University School of Medicine Cardiac Ultrasound Program, Durham, NC
- **Alexandra Dumin**, South Hills School of Business & Technology, State College, PA
- **Leah Fletcher**, Milwaukee Area Technical College, Milwaukee, WI
- **Kyle Greene**, Hoffman Heart and Vascular Institute School of Cardiovascular Technology, Hartford, CT
- **Natalie Greenwood**, Cleveland Clinic School of Health Professions Cardiac Ultrasound Program, Cleveland, OH
- **Isabelle Gregorio**, University of Wisconsin Hospital School of Diagnostic Medical Sonography, Madison, WI
- **Kiera Hess**, University of Kansas Medical Center Cardiovascular Sonography Program, Kansas City, KS
- **Alexandra Iacono**, Orlando Health School of Cardiac Ultrasound, Orlando, FL
- **Kaiya Johnson**, Prisma Health Cardiovascular Technology Leadership Program, Greenville, SC
- **Addiskidan Mekonnen**, UCSF Cardiac Sonography Program, San Francisco, CA
- **Laura Miller**, Duke University School of Medicine Cardiac Ultrasound Program, Durham, NC
- **Makiah Minerick**, Aurora St. Luke's Medical Center School of Diagnostic Medical Sonography, Milwaukee, WI

- **Nina Oddo**, Molloy University, Cardiovascular Technology, Rockville Center, NY
- **Mandy Phanthavilay**, Mayo Clinic School of Health Sciences Echocardiography Program, Rochester, MN
- **Sophia Roditis**, Cleveland Clinic School of Health Professions Cardiac Ultrasound Program, Cleveland, OH
- **Nurnissa Mohd Rozi**, Seattle University Diagnostic Ultrasound, Seattle, WA
- **Angela Saraceno**, Hoffman Heart and Vascular Institute School of Cardiovascular Technology, Hartford, CT
- **Sophie Sompayrac**, Prisma Health Cardiovascular Technology Leadership Program, Greenville, SC
- **Gloria Suarez**, Orlando Health School of Health Science, Orlando, FL
- **Liliana Varela**, UCSF Cardiac Sonography Program, San Francisco, CA

## Announcements

### Early-Career Development Grants Available for Echo Scientists – Apply Today

**Application Deadline: July 1**

The Early-Career Development Grant for Echo Scientists (EDGES) program awards **three grants** worth up to **\$25,000 USD** to fund projects that address a clinical gap in cardiovascular ultrasound imaging through research led by an early-career scientist. No specific research themes will be prioritized, and clinical gaps may include, but are not limited to new imaging technologies, novel approaches or populations for diagnostic imaging, ultrasound therapy, workflow automation, or patient/practitioner safety. Physicians, PhDs, veterinarians, sonographers, and other healthcare professionals who are within seven years of having completed training are eligible to **apply through July 1, 2026, 5:00 PM ET**. Learn more [here](#).



### 17th Annual Research Awards Gala – SOLD OUT Saturday, June 27, 2026, 6:30 – 11:00 PM

Tickets for the ASE Foundation's premiere fundraising event, the annual Research Awards Gala, are sold out! If you are interested in attending, please contact [Foundation@ASEcho.org](mailto:Foundation@ASEcho.org) to be added to the wait list.



### NEW: Research Awards Gala Afterparty Tickets Saturday, June 27, 2026, 9:30 – 11:00 PM

The ASE Foundation is happy to announce a new opportunity for this year's Research Awards Gala: an **afterparty-only** ticket. For a \$50 donation, you can attend the Gala afterparty where you will enjoy dancing with DJ entertainment, photo booth, and complimentary snack bar. Cash bars will also be available. Tickets are limited and will only be sold exclusively at the ASE Foundation booth in the ASE 2026 Echo Expo on June 26 and 27. Tickets must be presented at the door to enter.

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**It's not too early to start thinking about your 2026 charitable contributions. Learn about the numerous ways you can give to the ASE Foundation [here](#).**



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