



NASRIN GHARAJEDAGHI

EXECUTIVE MBA SCHOLARSHIP

The Executive MBA Office is pleased to offer the Nasrin Gharajedaghi Scholarship to students enrolled in the Villanova EMBA program. One scholarship awardee will be selected prior to the start of the program in August of each year.

APPLICATION PROCESS AND AWARD AMOUNT

- Applicants must submit a resume and a statement of personal and professional goals.
- The award amount will be 10% of the Executive MBA tuition (\$9,800). Dispersed evenly over two years, it will be granted as a supplement to one of the ten merit-based scholarship recipients' award.
- The award will be paid out in four payments of \$2,450, beginning in module two of the program with a final payment made in module five.
- Students may not apply the scholarship to any other program (for example, a student receiving an award in the Executive MBA program may not use the money if s/he transfers to another Villanova MBA program).

ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship honors Dr. Jamshid Gharajedaghi who is a pioneer in the field of Systems Thinking which is a defining element of the Executive MBA program at the Villanova School of Business. This approach to problem solving has been identified by students to be a transformational force in their thinking. Integrated into the curriculum, Dr. Gharajedaghi uses his study in behavioral sciences, operational research and most notable, Interactive Design to provoke thoughtful and critical decision making. When Dr. Gharajedaghi lost his wife, Nasrin, in 2012, the alumni created this scholarship in her name. Annually awarded, the scholarship will be granted to an individual from an underrepresented group with financial need, who demonstrates a commitment to use the EMBA experience not just to advance his/her career, but to give back to society in a meaningful way.

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