Scholarship for Women Studying Information Security (SWSIS) Awards for 2023-24 Academic Year

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What is ACSA?

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ACSA Mission

The Applied Computer Security Associates (ACSA) is a non-profit association of computer security professionals who have a common goal of improving the understanding, theory, and practice of computer security. To this end, ACSA supports a number of activities, all of which serve the goal of improving the computer security field.
The SWSIS Program

• Goal is to encourage women studying information security by providing assistance at the formative stages of their careers in this field
• Scholarships up to $10K for women in junior/senior year or Masters program
• Focus on any aspect of information security
• Applicant review/selection by CRA Committee on Widening Participation in Computing Research (CRA-WP)
Who?

• The ACSA SWSIS Team
  – Jeremy Epstein, National Science Foundation, chair (retired)
  – Ann Marmor-Squires, The Sq Group
  – Cristina Serban, AT&T (retired)

• The CRA-WP Team
  – Rebecca Wright, Barnard College (chair)
  – Terry Benzel, University of Southern California
  – Marina Blanton, University at Buffalo
  – Tadayoshi Kohno, University of Washington
  – Daniela Oliveira, University of Florida
  – Zachary Peterson, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo
  – Elaine Shi, Cornell University
  – Bhavani Thuraisingham, University of Texas at Dallas
Rebecca Gurley Bace Memorial Scholarship

- In memory of Becky Bace, mentor, inventor, and entrepreneur, and long-time ACSAC attendee
Parisa Tabriz PrinSWSIS Scholarship

- The PrinSWSIS scholarship is awarded to a woman aspiring to work in computer security, and by her mere existence, challenging the stereotype of a cyber security professional and helping redefine what it means to be a princess. She is both a cybersecurity princess and a mentor and inspiration to others on that journey.
Stephen L. Squires SWSIS Scholarship

- Recipients might focus on family, science, and country; strong and early mentoring and have a history of being an “outsider”
- Supported by a generous donation from Ann Marmor-Squires and friends
- Recipient receives a scholarship and chocolate!
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