

## FAME Names First Four Scholarship Winners



Looking at a future of risk. (left to right) Khadine Adams, Mandy Holden, Greg Cohen and Jessica Hussong are the recipients of FAME's first college scholarships.

The Foundation for Agency Management Excellence (FAME), a charitable foundation established by The Council of Insurance Agents & Brokers, has named the first four college students to receive \$5,000 scholarships to pursue careers in risk management and insurance.

The scholarships go to Khadine Adams, a junior at Howard University in Washington, D.C.; Greg Cohen, a senior at the University of Georgia Terry College of Business at Athens; Jessica Hussong, a senior at the University of Wisconsin, Madison; and Mandy Holden, a senior at California State University at Sacramento.

"We are delighted to launch this scholarship initiative, and we are committed to expanding the program to help more schools and more students in coming years," says Fred Burns, chairman and managing director, John L. Wortham & Son, L.P., of Houston, and co-chairman of the FAME board of directors.

"Commercial insurance underwriters, brokers and agents understand how critical it is to develop new talent and attract young people to our business. These scholarships will help in that important undertaking," says Fred de Grosz, co-chairman of ABD Insurance & Financial Services, Inc., of Redwood City, Calif., and FAME board co-chairman.

Adams is a native of Trinidad and Tobago who came to the U.S. in 2004 to attend Howard University. She is majoring in insurance, with a concentration in actuarial science.

Cohen, from Alpharetta, Ga., is one of five children. Two of his siblings are in the insurance business. A brother works for Guy Carpenter in Atlanta, and a sister works for Wachovia in Atlanta. It is through them that he became interested in insurance.

"I either want to work for an insurance broker or an insurance carrier, and I am leaning toward insurance brokering. I am more interested in sales than underwriting," Cohen says.

Hussong, from Green Bay, Wis., is majoring in actuarial science and risk management and insurance. She is the first in her immediate family to pursue a career in insurance.

Holden is originally from Germany. She came to the U.S. to attend college. Speaking no English, she attended a community college before transferring to Sacramento State. In addition to taking a full course load, she has worked between 25 and 50 hours a week to earn money for her tuition and expenses. She became interested in the insurance field because of an uncle in Germany who works for Helvetia Insurance Co.

The students are the beneficiaries of a new initiative by FAME to encourage more young people to consider the field of risk management and insurance as a profession. FAME, administered by The Council, is a 501c(3) charitable and educational organization that promotes leadership and excellence in the agency and broker community. Contributions to FAME are tax deductible.



## FAME SCHOLARSHIPS at UGA

2007-2008 Academic Year

Two students at UGA's Terry College of Business will be awarded \$5,000 scholarships.

Eligible students must demonstrate financial need, maintain a 3.0 GPA, and be a business major in insurance and risk management.

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