

2009 AIA/NEI Scholarship

Instructions to Applicants

Before applying, please read these instructions very carefully. Be sure that you meet the eligibility criteria and that you can fulfill the scholarship requirements.

Fill out the application form completely. Type or print clearly in black ink. Please note that your application will not be considered for review unless the application, as well as all supporting material, including two letters of recommendation, is postmarked by April 30, 2009. In fairness to all, no exceptions will be granted. Incomplete applications cannot be considered. No materials will be returned.

Applicants must meet the following criteria in order to be eligible for the AIA/NEI Scholarship.

Applicants must be U.S. citizens.

Applicants must be enrolled for the fall of 2009 at one of the following East Central or West Central accredited Architecture schools. See attached list.

Applicants must have a home residence of record within the AIA/NEI Chapter boundaries (Chapter boundaries are: Cook, DuPage, Kane, and Kendall Counties, except that the territory shall not include the area within the city limits of Chicago, nor south of Interstate 55, nor east of the Edens Expressway).

Applicants who do not meet these criteria will not be considered for a scholarship. Past scholarship recipients are ineligible.

The year covered by this scholarship application is from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

Three scholarships of \$1,000.00 each will be awarded for a one year period to cover tuition, fees, and other school related expenses. Scholarships cannot be used for expenses incurred before the one year period covered by this scholarship application.

No cover letter is necessary. Be sure to keep a copy of your application in case the original is lost in the mail. Applications will be acknowledged by postcard if a self-addressed, stamped postcard is enclosed with your application form and returned to the AIA/NEI chapter office (address below). Otherwise, your application will not be acknowledged. If you do not receive your postcard within two weeks of mailing your application call (630) 527-8550.

Five applicants will be selected for personal interviews with the NEI Scholarship Committee to determine the three scholarship recipients. Notification of those selected for interviews will be by May 15. Interviews will be scheduled for early June. Winners of AIA/NEI Scholarship Awards will be expected to personally attend the AIA/NEI Chapter event in July to formally receive their award.

Please do not call for other information on the status of your application. In order to maximize the funds available for scholarships, the program does not have staff available to respond to such inquires.

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