Eastern Pennsylvania & Delaware Chapter ACI 2023 Scholarship Application

Candidates completing studies for the bachelor's degree from an accredited program may apply for this award. Based on essays, submitted data, and recommendations, the EPDACI Chapter, selects a scholarship recipient who appears to have the strongest combination of interest and potential for professional success in the concrete industry.

This undergraduate scholarship consists of a **cash stipend of $10,000 (U.S.)** for a one-year period. The stipend will be sent to the financial aid office of the institution designated by the applicant where the study program will be pursued. These funds will then be deposited into the recipient's university account.

REQUIREMENTS AND DIRECTIONS

1. At the time of applying for and receiving the scholarship, the applicant shall be enrolled in a bachelor's degree program from an institution of higher education that is accredited by the responsible regional or national agency.

2. The undergraduate study program shall be in the area of concrete with an emphasis on structural design, materials, construction chemistry, or any combination thereof.

3. Applicants must be a full-time undergraduate at the time of applying for and receiving the scholarship. Course work during a summer session will count toward the degree year. Applications will be accepted from anywhere in the EPDACI Chapter area in an undergraduate program.

4. For your application packet to be considered for this award, each of the following pieces of information must be submitted by the deadline indicated:

   - Completed 2023 typed application form (handwritten applications will not be accepted)
   - One-page resume **(anything more than one page will not be accepted)**
   - Essay (1 page limit, 500 word maximum.) Name must appear on first page. **Half a page of your essay must describe your personal activities to promote sustainability in your community. Essays that do not address your activities to promote sustainability will not be considered.**
       - Two (2) completed online reference forms
   - All undergraduate transcripts (all universities attended during all undergraduate studies to present date) are required.

EPDACI does not contact applicants upon receipt of their application materials.

5. The application, essay and resume shall be in English and sent to the EPDACI website together in one email package. Hard copies of applications, essays and resumes will not be accepted. **Only Microsoft Word documents will be accepted.**

6. <u>Official Transcripts</u>

The following requirements must be met for all transcript submissions:
- Transcripts shall be submitted for all undergraduate and graduate programs attended.
- All transcripts must be original and official documents. Unofficial transcripts or copies of transcripts will not be accepted.
- Many universities now provide official E-Transcripts. EPDACI will accept this form of transcript, as long as they come direct from your University with an official digital signature or stamp. ACI will not accept E-Transcripts sent direct from an applicant's email address. **Review and acceptance of E-Transcripts will be at the discretion of EPDACI**.
- Transcripts must be in English, or accompanied by a version translated in English.
- Translations must be literal and complete versions of the original transcripts. Translations shall be performed by a university, government official or official translation service. The translation shall be attested or signed by the translator. **Applicants may not submit self-translation**. Courses must be described in detail. The general subject name (e.g., "mathematics") is not sufficient; the particular subject (e.g., "differential equations," "algebraic topology") must be identified.
- Transcripts shall include an explanation of the grading scale if different from the 4.0 scale used in the U.S. Translations shall include grades based on an A, B, C, D scale where A is 90-100, B is 80-89, C is 70-79, D is 60-69 and F is 59 or less.
- Transcripts should be mailed directly from the university. Transcripts mailed by the student must be sealed in an envelope with a university stamp over the seal.
- Transcripts shall reach the scholarship coordinator no later than the deadline stated below.
- Transcripts shall be sent to:
  EPDACI
  1231 Highland Avenue
  Fort Washington, PA 19034

Please note, any document, including transcripts, received by EPDACI becomes the property of EPDACI and will not be returned.

7. Online reference forms are statements of evaluation of the applicant, in terms of potential for growth, character, leadership capacity, and career interest, which are required from two evaluators. One online reference form must be from a faculty member. We ask that the other be from an employer, when possible. All reference forms must be submitted in English. Only the online reference forms will be accepted. Mailed, emailed or faxed letters of recommendation will not be accepted. There is no need for more than two references forms. Only the first two reference forms received will be reviewed. It is your responsibility to follow up with your evaluators to ensure that all application materials are submitted by the deadline.

8. The deadline for all application materials is 11:59 p.m. EST on **Friday July 7th, 2023**. Please be sure your name is on every piece of material submitted.

9. All applicants can be withdrawn, or not, for failure to comply with any of these items listed above and on the website at the sole discretion of EPDACI.