



NEPA Chapter of AIA Scholarship Fund Scholarship Criteria & Application



The NEPA Chapter of AIA Scholarship Fund was established and funded by members of the NEPA Chapter of American Institute of Architects (“AIA”) to provide scholarship assistance to qualified applicants who are serious about their long-term pursuit of architecture as a profession and career. They recognize that architecture is as much an art as it is a science, which requires significant commitment from its students. They, as AIA members, commit themselves to be mentors and to provide internships to regional architectural interns.

Further, the NEPA AIA Chapter hopes and encourages students to live and practice their profession within Northeastern Pennsylvania after graduation.

1. Recipients must have their legal residence within the nine (9) county territory of the NEPA AIA Chapter.
 1. Bradford
 2. Columbia
 3. Lackawanna
 4. Luzerne
 5. Pike
 6. Sullivan
 7. Susquehanna
 8. Wayne
 9. Wyoming
2. While the scholarship is open to an architectural student, at any accredited school, who qualifies under Item No. 1 (above); The Luzerne Foundation will actively search only those architectural schools within a 400-mile radius of the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport.
3. The recipient must have:
 - a. successfully completed one (1) full academic year at a college or university with an accredited bachelor of architecture or master of architecture program.
 - b. obtained a non-professional bachelors degree and has been accepted into an accredited master of architecture program.
4. The recipient must demonstrate financial need.
5. Attach all documentation, portfolios, references and essays as required on page four (4).

A fully completed scholarship application and required supporting materials must be submitted by June 7, 2019.

Name of Applicant: _____
(Please PRINT your name.)

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

In addition to the two-page application form, your application packet should contain:

1. An official transcript from your present or most recently attended college or university.
2. A personal statement in 2 pages or less, (typed in 12-pitch with 1inch margins) on “What I can contribute to the architectural community of NEPA.” Your statement should include information that would help us in knowing you and in determining your eligibility or need, especially in recognition of the eligibility criteria for this scholarship (example: what factors influenced your desire to study architecture, how you are financing your education; previous work experience; reasons for choosing your professional or future goals - e.g. challenges in your life experience and long range plans after graduation).
3. A sample architectural portfolio. *A digital submission is preferred. Please send one (1) CD or thumb drive with digital copies of portfolio images/pages. Please provide high resolution (300dpi) digital images in JPEG or TIFF format only. Maximum acceptable size is 11” x 17”.
*If your submission is best represented in a printed format, the NEPA AIA Scholarship Committee will accommodate that preference.
4. Two letters of recommendation from non-family members, **one of which must be from a current architectural instructor.**
5. A complete copy of your *Student Aid Report* (SAR) or your “Free Application for Federal Student Aid” (FAFSA) statement, which will include your EFC (Expected Family Contribution).

I hereby give The Luzerne Foundation permission to contact any of my teachers, supervisors, professional and educational institutions I have attended, applied to, have been accepted for admission or membership to, for further information about my attendance, performance, financial circumstances and references. I understand that the information contained in my application may be shared with the scholarship advisory committee and /or scholarship sponsor. I acknowledge that all materials submitted in this application become the property of The Luzerne Foundation and will not be returned to sender. Submission of my portfolio grants NEPA AIA the one (1) time right to display digital images of my portfolio @ the NEPA AIA Annual Dinner.

Applicant’s signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian/Spouse signature _____ Date _____

50% of the scholarship will be awarded for the fall semester. The balance of the scholarship will be awarded for the spring semester upon submission to The Luzerne Foundation of documentation noting successful completion of the fall semester.

*Scholarship Application **DEADLINE** is June 7, 2019.*

Return all documentation to:
Scholarship Processing
The Luzerne Foundation
34 South River Street
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

Please contact The Luzerne Foundation at 570-822-2065 with any questions.