

Sheet Metal & Air Conditioning Contractors' National Association, Inc.



College of Fellows

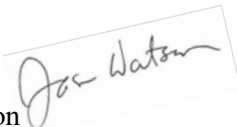
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 2022

TO: SMACNA Chapters
SMACNA Members

FROM: Jason Watson, Staff Liaison 

SUBJECT: COLLEGE OF FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIPS

The SMACNA College of Fellows is now accepting applications for the 2023 scholarship program. Applications will be for the 2023-2024 academic year.

The SMACNA College of Fellows Scholarship Program is open to eligible students from the SMACNA extended family seeking to further their undergraduate education by attending an accredited four-year college or university. Eligibility extends to SMACNA's extended family, which includes SMACNA contractors, employees of SMACNA contractors, SMACNA Fellows, employees of local SMACNA chapters, employees of National SMACNA, SMACNA National Associate Members, and members of the families of any of these groups. The applicant may pursue any course of study, however it is hoped that a career in a field related to the sheet metal industry will be considered.

Applicants may find the application and eligibility requirements on the [SMACNA website](#). We have formatted the application to allow it to be completed and submitted electronically. The current application to be used is FORM: COF20.

Applications for scholarships must be postmarked by February 28, 2023.

Thanks for your help.

Attachments

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COLLEGE OF FELLOWS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Statement of Mission:

The SMACNA College of Fellows [COF] Scholarship Program mission is to identify and recognize academically talented youth and potential future leaders within the SMACNA extended family and to provide them an opportunity to further their education and develop their talents as future leaders and positive contributors to society. *The Primary Goal* of the COF Scholarship Foundation is to provide scholarships to SMACNA member contractors, employees of SMACNA member contractors, SMACNA chapter executives, National SMACNA employees, SMACNA Associate Members, and members of the families of all of these groups who are participating in full-time undergraduate studies in accredited institutions of higher education. *The Secondary Goal* is to create a sense of community and support among the elements of the SMACNA extended family by working toward a common goal -- furthering the education of individual members of the family.

Strategic Initiatives:

1. To support an environment for continuous learning and inquiry;
2. To provide opportunity for the advancement and dissemination of knowledge;
3. To create an environment which promotes respect, creativity and recognition of academically talented students;
4. To establish and maintain a program to advance our mission; and
5. To maximize and efficiently utilize available resources to achieve our mission.

Values:

1. To provide financial assistance for the discovery, interpretation, and dissemination of new knowledge that promotes leadership, development and personal growth;
2. To engender respect, compassion and caring in assisting with the academic growth and development of the members of the SMACNA extended family;
3. To carry out our mission and objectives with integrity and the highest moral standards; and
4. To use the resources of the COF Scholarship Foundation wisely.

Eligibility:

All scholarships are open to full-time students seeking to further their education by attending an accredited four-year university or college (two-year for SMACNA Sacramento Jr. College Endowed Scholarship). The applicant may pursue any course of study; however it is hoped that a career in a field related to the sheet metal industry will be considered.

SMACNA & College of Fellows Scholarships

Applicants must be a SMACNA contractor, employee of a SMACNA contractor, SMACNA Fellow, employee of a SMACNA Chapter, employee of SMACNA National, SMACNA National Associate Member, or a family member of any of the aforementioned. The scholarships are open to full-time students entering their first year as well as current full-time undergraduate students.

COF Scholarship Awards:

Selection is based on educational goals as stated by the applicants, academic achievement, and involvement in school-related extracurricular and community activities. Applicant must have demonstrated leadership potential and be of good character. Financial need is not a prerequisite.

Criteria for Award of a COF Scholarship:

1. Academic excellence;
2. Stated academic goals;
3. Involvement in extracurricular activities;
4. Demonstrated community involvement;
5. Demonstrated leadership ability;
6. Being of good character;
7. Financial need is *not* a primary factor.

Application Process:

To apply for a SMACNA College of Fellows Scholarship, including applicable endowed scholarships, the following procedures are required.

1. Applications can be found and completed on the [SMACNA website](#).
2. Once you have entered your information in the electronic form, print out a copy and submit it and all supporting documentation to SMACNA College of Fellows Scholarship Program. Applications must be postmarked or with email transmission date by February 28 to SMACNA College of Fellows Scholarship Program, 4201 Lafayette Center Drive, Chantilly, VA 20151-1219; email: cof_scholarship@smacna.org. The data you entered on the form is not saved on the website; if you wish to retain a copy for your files simply copy the completed printed form and/or for an electronic copy, save the completed form as a separate file on your computer or other storage media.
3. **Only typed or electronically generated applications will be accepted for consideration.**
4. Applications missing required supporting documentation will be rejected.
5. Applications for scholarships must be postmarked or with email transmission date by February 28.

Applications must be accompanied by –

- An essay on the applicant's goals, explaining how the applicant hopes to achieve the goals and why he/she would like to acquire the COF Scholarship.
- High School transcripts [if already an undergraduate, high school transcripts plus college transcripts].
- Three [3] letters of recommendation from community leaders [city council member, minister, school board member, local governmental official, etc.]. Letters not accompanying the application should be sent to the address above and clearly indicate the name of the applicant supported.
- College aptitude scores.
- Indication of acceptance at an accredited four-year university or college (two-year for SMACNA Sacramento Jr. College Endowed Scholarship). If not available, submit it when it becomes available.

Applications are evaluated and candidates selected by a Scholarship Committee appointed by the College of Fellows.

Notification of awards are made by July 1.

For further information you may contact:

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