PMIT Scholarship Guidelines for 2011

Introduction

The Project Management Institute Educational Foundation Academic Scholarship Program is designed to financially assist qualified applicants in obtaining degrees from accredited academic institutions of higher learning in the field of project management or any field with any relation to project management. The program is open to any student preparing to enter or already attending an accredited degree-granting college or university and pursuing a bachelor, masters or doctoral degree.

The scholarships are awarded based on merit as measured by academic performance and extracurricular activities. The applicant's intended field of study is also considered in the evaluation process with preference given to those candidates pursuing a degree in project management or a directly related field of study.

Instructions

1. Scholarships are limited to use at an accredited degree granting institution of higher learning.
2. Candidates applying for more than one scholarship must submit one Application Form for all scholarships, including the two essays which can be found in the Application Form. Any candidate selected for an award will receive only one scholarship annually.
3. Only one copy of the official transcript, résumé and reference letters needs to be provided, even if candidates are applying for more than one scholarship.
4. Scholarships are paid directly to the candidate based on written acknowledgment that the scholarship award will be used for the intended purpose.
5. Scholarships are open to any student entering or attending an accredited degree granting institution. Evidence of enrollment is required.
6. Full-time and part-time studies are both eligible for consideration.
7. Project Management Institute (PMI®) members holding elected or appointed offices at the global PMI level, PMI Educational Foundation Board Directors and PMI employees, along with members of their immediate family (regardless of membership in PMI) are not eligible for these scholarships.
8. Application deadline is 01 June each year; award recipient(s) will be notified in August. The scholarships will be awarded no later than September.
9. All scholarships are subject to annual funds availability through direct donations or through actual and/or accrued interest earnings from endowments.
10. Scholarships will be awarded without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or state of physical handicap.

Application Process

All application materials should be sent to the PMI Educational Foundation, 14 Campus Boulevard, Newtown Square, PA 19073-3299, USA.

- a completed Application Form
- two essays describing why the candidate wants to be a project manager and how a code of ethics is important to project management.
- the latest available official high school transcript and/or, if applicable, the latest available official college transcript.
- a résumé outlining educational background, work experience, co-curricular and extracurricular activities.
- three letters of reference (who are not relatives of the candidate) that address the suitability of the candidate for the award, nature of the relationship with the candidate and length of time of the relationship.

All materials submitted for consideration for a scholarship automatically become the physical property of PMI Educational Foundation and will not be returned to the sender. They will not be used by the Foundation for any purpose except to help determine who receives a scholarship for any given academic year.

Candidate Evaluation and Selection

1. The PMIEF will provide a Scholarship Evaluation and Selection Committee, an impartial panel of no less than three and no more than seven appropriately qualified and trained scholarship judges comprised of project management practitioners, academics, and others.
2. All decisions of the PMI Educational Foundation and its Scholarship Evaluation and Selection Committee are final.
3. Preference will be given to the candidate who will be or is pursuing a degree in the field of project management or a directly related field.
4. Preference will be given to the candidate with the best combination of academic, co-curricular and extracurricular performance, with the highest potential for academic success.

Notification

1. Descriptions of all scholarships will be published on the PMI Educational Foundation Website.
2. The name(s) of scholarship recipient(s) will be published on the PMI Educational Foundation website and in PMI publications as appropriate.

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