NEPA Chapter of AIA Scholarship Fund
Scholarship Criteria and 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 serious about their long-term pursuit of architecture as a profession and career. They recognize that architecture is as much an art as 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. Recipient 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 to 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 bachelors of architecture or masters of architecture program.
   b. obtained a non-professional bachelors degree and has been accepted into an accredited masters 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 July 8, 2013
Name: ________________________________

First  Middle  Last

Permanent Address: ________________________________

Street  City  State  Zip

Date of Birth: ___________________  Male:  Female:  Home Ph#: ___________________

Social Security #: __/__/______  Primary Work Ph#: ___________________  Cell #: __________

County of residence: _____________________  E-Mail: ______________________

High School: ___________________________  Graduation Date: ___________________

FAMILY INFORMATION (Provide the following information where applicable.)

Name of father/stepfather/guardian: __________________________

Address: ________________________________

Street  City  State  Zip

Home Ph#: _____________  Work Ph#: _______________  E-mail: __________________

Name of mother/stepmother/guardian: __________________________

Address: ________________________________

Street  City  State  Zip

Home Ph#: _____________  Work Ph#: _______________  E-mail: __________________

Check if applicable: ( ) father deceased  ( ) mother deceased  ( ) parents divorced

Name of spouse (If any): __________________________

Address: ________________________________

Street  City  State  Zip

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Year in college during the coming academic year:  ( ) Soph  ( ) Jr  ( ) Sr  ( ) Grad

College you are planning to attend, or do attend: ________________________________

Address (City/State) of college: ____________________________________________

Full-time student?  ( ) Yes  ( ) No  If no, # of credits________________________
**SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**  
Using only the space below, list extracurricular, athletic, community and religious activities in which you have participated during the past 4 years. Please list the activities in order of importance to you.

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**WORK EXPERIENCE**  
Using the space below, please list your paid work experience during the past four years, beginning with your most recent position. Attach additional sheets as necessary.

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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 1-inch 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. Please send one (1) printed copy as well as one (1) CD 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”.
4. Two letters of recommendation from non-family members including 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 the 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 __________________

ALL SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED MUST BE CLAIMED BY AUGUST 31, 2013
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 July 8, 2013. Return form to:

Scholarship Processing
The Luzerne Foundation
140 Main Street, 2nd Floor
Luzerne, PA 18709

Please contact The Luzerne Foundation at 570.714.1570 or 1-877.589.3386 with any questions.