

IN COOPERATION WITH THE
**AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC
ACCOUNTANTS (AICPA)**

2008-2009 Scholarship for Accounting Students

Competitive merit- based awards of up to \$5,000 for outstanding accounting students who, in the opinion of the NCPACA Selection Committee, show significant potential to become Certified Public Accountants.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Thank you for expressing an interest in the NCPACA Scholarships for Accounting Students. These scholarships are awarded by the NCPACA and funded by AICPA through the Minority Initiatives Committee.

NCPACA Scholarship will be awarded on **July 4, 2009** for the 2008-2009 academic years. **All application materials must be received by the NCPACA by May 15, 2009.** The applicant is solely responsible for assuring that all application materials are received on time, and the NCPACA cannot be responsible for materials delayed or lost in the mail.

NCPACA Scholarship for Accounting Students is available only to full-time undergraduate and graduate students at regionally accredited institutions. **Awards are granted primarily based on merit (academic achievement); financial need is evaluated as a secondary criteria.**

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Undergraduate Students

To be eligible for an undergraduate scholarship, you must be:

- A declared accounting major (this must be indicated in your transcript) **with an overall and accounting grade average (GPA) of at least 3.5;**
- A student who has satisfactorily completed at least 60 semester hours, or 90 quarter hours, or equivalent college work, **including at least twelve (12) semester hours (or equivalent) in accounting;** and
- Enrolled as full-time undergraduate student (12 semester hours or equivalent) at a four-year or upper division institution.

Graduate Students

To be eligible for a graduate scholarship, you must be:

- A graduate who is in accounting program, **OR** who was an accounting major and is presently accepted in a masters-level accounting, business administration, finance or taxation program, **OR** who had any undergraduate major and is presently accepted in a masters-level accounting program; and
- Enrolled as a full-time student (nine semester hours or equivalent).

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

1. A completed **NCPACA Scholarship Application Form**.
2. **Official Transcript** indicating grades and cumulative GPA through Spring 2009.
3. **Signed Letter of Recommendation** from a college professor on department stationery.
4. **Signed Letter from the Head of the Department of Accounting** at the institution stating the applicant is majoring in accounting.
5. **Signed Personal Statement on the topic: “Why I chose to become a CPA and how it will enhance my career.”** Using the same format on the attached sheet, the personal statement must be typed and **should not** exceed 500 words.
6. Successful candidates are **required** to attend the 23rd NCPACA Convention from July 2 to 5, 2009 in Oak Brook, IL.
7. **Complete Requirements must be received by May 15, 2009. All application materials must be sent to:**

**Scholarship Program
NCPACA
c/o Ed Ortiz
333 S. Des Plaines St., Suite 2-N
Chicago, Illinois 60661
Tel #: (312) 876-1900 Fax # (312) 876-1911
e-mail address : ecortiz@ecortiz.com**

AWARDING

The NCPACA Scholarship will be awarded on July 4, 2009 (Saturday) for the 2008-2009 academic years during the *23rd NCPACA Annual Convention in Oak Brook, IL.*

PAYMENTS

Awards are made for the academic year following application, and will be sent directly to the school for credit to the account of the student recipient.

NCPACA 2008-2009 Scholarship Application Form

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Social Security #: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home Phone #: _____ Cell Phone #: _____

E-mail Address: _____

School at which you are or will be enrolled: _____

Are you a Full-Time Student? ___ Yes ___ No Student # _____

Gender: Male Female Marital Status: Single Married

Degree Program MBA M.Acc. M.Tax M.S.
 M.A. BA BS

Others:

Expected Date of Graduation: _____ Amount of Award: _____

Graduate Students Only:

Will you be enrolling for the first time in Fall 2009 or Spring 2010? Yes No

If "yes" please attach letter of acceptance from your school.

If "no" please indicate the number of credit hours you will have earned through July 31, 2009. _____

Undergraduate Degree: _____ G.P.A. _____

Undergraduate School:

Undergraduate Students Only:

Number of Credit hours needed to complete degree requirements:

Number of Credit hours you will have earned through July 31, 2009:

Name, Address, and Telephone Number of your Major Advisor

List all Schools, including the one in which you are currently enrolled, that you have attended at the secondary, undergraduate, and if applicable, graduate level. For each school, indicate the date of attendance, degree(s) or diploma(s) received, major field of study, and overall and accounting GPA.

Dates		Name, City and State of School Attended	Major Field	Degree Awarded	Overall GPA	Acctg.
From	To					

List your **work experience**, including part-time and/or summer positions, present employer first.

List any **honors, scholarships or awards** you have received (indicate date, nature of award, and granting organization):

List any **extracurricular activities** or **organization** in which you are an active participant:

I certify that the information contained in this application and all other materials submitted by me for consideration of this scholarship are to the best of my knowledge accurate and true. I also certify that the personal statement is my own work

I give AICPA/NCPACA permission to list my name as a scholarship recipient on the AICPA/NCPACA website and other publications if I am chosen as a recipient.

Signature

Date

NCPACA 2008-2009 Scholarship – Personal Statement

Name of Applicant: _____ Signature: _____

Topic: **“Why I chose to become a CPA and how it will enhance my career.”**

Requirement: Must be typewritten and maximum of 500 words.