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2026 AIA Central Washington Scholarship Application

AIA CW strives to support emerging professionals and is offering one (1) **$2,000** (Two Thousand Dollar) scholarship to a student meeting the requirements set forth below.

First Name: _____ MI: _____ Last: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Applicant ID (see below): _____

To ensure anonymity, this ID will be used instead of your name during the evaluation process.

Please enter your first, middle, and last initial followed by the last 4 digits of your phone number. Your Applicant ID can be no more than 7 characters long.

For example, Jane Marie Doe would enter JMD1234.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Residency Location: *Your permanent residency (when not in school) must be within one of the following WA counties* (A minimum of one yes is required)

   AIA Central Washington Chapter includes Adams, Asotin, Benton, Columbia, Franklin, Garfield, Grant, Kittitas, Klickitat, Walla Walla, or Yakima.

   - Are you a resident within AIA Central Washington Chapter boundaries? Yes ☐ No ☐
   - Does your parent/guardian claim residency within AIA Central Washington Chapter boundaries? Yes ☐ No ☐
   - Have you held an architecture internship inside AIA Central Washington Chapter boundaries? Yes ☐ No ☐

2. Will you be attending one of the following schools? If yes, check one box.

   ☐ Montana State University
   ☐ Portland State University
   ☐ University of Idaho
   ☐ University of Oregon
   ☐ University of Utah
   ☐ University of Washington
   ☐ Washington State University

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3. What year of studies will you be enrolled for in the year 2026/2027? _____

   To be eligible you must be at least in the 3rd year and accepted into a NAAB accredited architecture program and have at least one semester left after the scholarship is awarded.

4. What is your most recent cumulative GPA? *(A minimum of 2.8 is required)*
   - Current GPA: _____

   Please include a PDF of your most recent UNOFFICIAL academic transcript with your submission. Name the PDF with your Applicant ID and transcript. For example, JMD1234transcript.pdf

OTHER INFORMATION

Do you have any work history in construction? Yes ☐ No☐

Do you have any work history in architecture? Yes ☐ No☐

Or a related field? If so, what? _____ Yes ☐ No☐

Place of Employment: _____

Job Title: _____ Average hours worked per week: ___ hours

ESSAY (can be incorporated into portfolio)

Please provide a brief written essay addressing at least three of the following questions: (500 words min., 1,000 words max.) *Save as PDF document and use same naming convention as with transcript, JMD1234essay.pdf*

- Why do you want to become an Architect? What or who influences you to want to become an Architect?
- How would you hope to impact communities while being an Architect?
- What is the biggest obstacle or challenge you have faced in your life and how did/are you overcome it?
- Please explain any special family circumstances, social, financial, or other that impact your life.
- Please describe your military, volunteer, or community service experiences.
- Where do you see yourself in 5 years?

PORTFOLIO

Please provide your most current Portfolio. Only submit work developed as part of Architecture school/class or internship. Your portfolio should include examples of design, models, renderings, graphics, materials and methods (construction), and more. Submit your portfolio as a separate file. It shall be 10 to 30 pages.

Please use your **Applicant ID** and not your name in your portfolio*, i.e. JMD1234portfolio.pdf*

SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

Electronic submittal (PDF) including Transcript, Essay, and Portfolio.

If size becomes too large, send in multiple emails but note number of emails in subject line.

Email to: ryanhmonson@gmail.com

Application Deadline: August 1, 2026

Recipient to be notified by September 15, 2026