

NAMIC-Carolinas Scholarship Guidelines

OVERVIEW

The NAMIC-Carolinas Scholarship Program was created in 2010 to prepare multiethnic college students for careers in the media and entertainment business.

The students must be in the undergraduate program and currently enrolled as a rising junior / senior in a four year college or students entering their second year of a two year college in North Carolina or South Carolina.

This program prepares a diverse group of talented young professionals to enter the workforce with specific job related skills, knowledge of the corporate environment and a strong foundation for future advancement in the media and entertainment business.

FUNDING

NAMIC-Carolinas, along with its partners, will fund the Scholarship program. The NAMIC Scholarship committee will review all applications and award scholarships to those that best meet the requirements as outlined.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Multi-ethnic students must be in the undergraduate program and currently enrolled as a rising junior / senior in a four year college or entering into their second year of a two year college in North Carolina or South Carolina.
- Students must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0.
- Students must have an interest in pursuing a career in the media and entertainment business. Eligible applicants must be US citizens or legal residents of the United States and speak /write English fluently to be considered.
- Students must ensure an official transcript is submitted with the application or sent directly from the school to the Scholarship Committee via e-mail to: info@namiccarolinas.com.
- Students must ensure at least two (2) references from teachers, advisors, or employers are submitted to the Scholarship Committee via e-mail to: info@namiccarolinas.com.

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HOW STUDENTS ARE SELECTED

- The NAMIC-Carolinas Scholarship Committee will work together to recruit students through local programs.
- Students submit an application for consideration. The Scholarship Committee will review all applications to determine eligibility. The Selection Committee will make recommendations to the NAMIC-Carolinas Board of Directors and contributors based on the application, letters of recommendations and essay contents. The Scholarship Committee may include representatives from all partner companies to review all applications for selection.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Application

- The application should be completed and e-mailed to the Scholarship Committee at: info@namiccarolinas.com. The application can be requested via e-mail or our [Facebook Fan Page](#) or from our website www.namiccarolinas.com.
- Provide an essay (not to exceed 300 words) explaining why you are applying for this scholarship.
- Ensure two (2) recommendations are submitted using the forms found on the website.
- List all extracurricular and community activities, leadership positions you have achieved, awards, language proficiency, and any work experience you possess, i.e.: Sales, General Office, Customer Service, etc.
- The electronic signature on the application indicates that you have read and understand the importance of pursuing excellence in your academic and professional life and all information is true and accurate.
- Complete application must be received electronically by **May 16, 2014**

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Transcripts

- Submit your official transcript either with the application, or have the institution submit via info@namiccarolinas.com.
- If you have attended more than one school, a transcript is required from each school unless grades from the previous schools appear on the present transcript. (Note: Only one copy of the transcript is required with the application.) If the school prefers to e-mail the transcript directly to the Scholarship Committee, they should e-mail it to: (info@namiccarolinas.com). If the school is e-mailing the transcript directly to the Scholarship Committee, please annotate this on your application.

Essay

- Include an Essay (not to exceed 300 words), providing insight as to why you are applying for this particular Scholarship. The content of the Essay should include, but is not limited to, the following questions:
 - o What are your plans upon obtaining your college degree?*
 - o How will your studies/educational focus prepare you for your career?*
 - o How do you plan to incorporate Diversity and Inclusion into your career goals?*

Recommendations

- Two (2) recommendations are required from individuals familiar with your academic record and/or work in the community (i.e. teachers, professors, advisors, employers, etc.). The recommendations should be sent directly to the Scholarship Committee and submitted via email to: info@namiccarolinas.com. They should not be given to the student.
- Recommendation letters must include appropriate signatures in order to be accepted with your application. Letters by relatives and friends are not applicable.

Resume/CV

- Please include your resume or CV detailing your academic record, work experience, extracurricular activities and honors.

Awarding of the Scholarship

- The Scholarship award is subject to verification of all documentation.
- The award recipient will be notified by the Scholarship Committee by the end of the second quarter

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Scholarship will end when any of the following occurs:

- Recipient is no longer enrolled as a student at his/her college or two-year school.
- College/school has issued a transcript informing that the recipient has finished his/her studies.
- Recipient is forced to resign or cannot continue his/her studies because of illness or any other reason.
- Recipient fails to meet his/her obligation, or fails to achieve the required academic standards, i.e. maintaining a minimum of a 3.0 GPA.
- Recipient is involved in any illegal/criminal activity.
- Recipient is proven to have forged any information or document in his/her application form.
- Recipient is expelled from his/her study or expelled from the college or school for any reason.

Frequently Asked Questions

- **How do I know if I am eligible to apply?**
Any student currently enrolled as a rising junior / senior in a four year college, or a student entering their second year in a two year college in North Carolina or South Carolina, with an interest in pursuing a Media and Entertainment career, maintains a 3.0 GPA and is of Multi-Ethnic heritage is eligible to apply.
- **Can I attach extra pages to the application if my answers won't fit in the space provided on the application?**
Yes, you can attach additional information to the application.
- **How do I submit my application package?**
All applications and attachments must be submitted to the following e-mail address: info@namiccarolinas.com.
- **If I don't have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0, can I still apply?**
Unfortunately, given the competitive nature of the program, students with GPA's of below a 3.0 are encouraged to improve their grades and then apply.

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- **What are my chances of getting selected?**

While selection for the program is highly competitive, you can improve your chances by carefully completing the application, writing a strong essay and providing strong references. Applications that are incomplete or have significant spelling or grammar errors will not be accepted.

- **Do I have to be interested in the Media and Entertainment field to apply for the scholarship program?**

That is the preferred career path along with Science, Technology, Engineering and Math interest areas.

- **How does NAMIC-Carolinas define “multi-ethnic”?**

Multi-ethnic is related to, or designed for various races and/or cultures. NAMIC-Carolinas promotes equity and inclusion in the workforce to reflect the multi-ethnic richness of the population served.

- **If I chose to attend a school away from home, can I still participate in the program?**

This scholarship program is designed for North and South Carolina schools only, at this time.

- **How do I know if my application is being considered? How long will it take before I hear from the Scholarship Committee?**

You will receive a confirmation that your application has been received within four weeks of its arrival. The NAMIC-Carolinas Scholarship Committee will make the final decision. Students will be notified of their submission status by the end of the 2nd quarter.

- **How do my references submit his/her recommendation letter?**

All recommendation forms must be submitted online through www.namiccarolinas.com or sent to the following e-mail address: info@namiccarolinas.com. Please have your reference include your Application ID number.

- **How will I know if I have been selected for the program?**

A member of the NAMIC-Carolinas Scholarship Committee will contact you.

- **How will I know if I have not been selected?**

You will be notified by the NAMIC- Carolinas Scholarship Committee as soon as the selection process has been completed.

- **If I am not selected, may I reapply?**

Yes, if you meet all of the NAMIC-Carolinas Scholarship qualifications.