



2005–2006 AICPA/Accountemps Student Scholarship

Competitive award of \$2,500 scholarships for two outstanding AICPA student affiliate members pursuing studies in accounting, finance or information systems who, in the opinion of the Scholarship Selection Committee, show significant potential to become successful business people.

READ THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Thank you for expressing an interest in the AICPA/Accountemps Student Scholarship. This program provides financial assistance to two AICPA student affiliate members pursuing studies in accounting, finance or information systems. These awards are intended to encourage undergraduate and graduate students to consider careers in accounting and business.

The Scholarships are available only to **full-time undergraduate and graduate students** at regionally accredited institutions in the United States. **All applicants must be U.S. citizens. Those persons who are already CPAs are not eligible for this scholarship.**

Eligibility requirements differ by academic level, and the application procedures are lengthy, so **PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS AND THOSE ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES CAREFULLY BEFORE YOU BEGIN TO COMPLETE THIS APPLICATION.** The AICPA cannot process and must destroy incomplete or incorrectly submitted applications.

The amount of the scholarships is \$2,500 each for one year. Recipients are selected by the Scholarship Selection Committee. The selection is based on demonstrated outstanding academic achievement, leadership and future career interests.

The deadline for receipt of all application materials is **April 1, 2005.** The AICPA/Accountemps cannot be responsible for materials that are lost or delayed in the mail.

Student Eligibility

To be eligible, you **must** be:

- An AICPA student affiliate member**
- A declared accounting, finance or information systems major (this must be indicated on your transcript) **with an overall and major grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.0**
- A student who has satisfactorily completed at least **30 semester hours, or 45 quarter hours**, or equivalent college work, **including at least six (6) semester hours (or equivalent) in accounting**
- Enrolled as a **full-time undergraduate or graduate student** (12 semester hours or equivalent), **at an accredited college or university in the United States.** Students who will be transferring to a four-year school for the first time must include an acceptance letter from that school. Students attending graduate school must provide an acceptance letter from the graduate school.

Application Procedure

To be considered for the Scholarship, applicants are asked to submit:

- This completed application form
- Official transcripts from undergraduate schools attended
- Copies of score reports from graduate schools admission test(s) (if applicable)
- Two letters of recommendation

Official Academic Transcript Required

An **Official Academic Transcript** from the post-secondary institution you are attending is required. You must request that the registrar of your school send this directly to the AICPA. *We will not accept student copies or other unofficial transcripts, or transcripts that arrive after April 1, 2005.* Most schools assess a nominal service charge to send official transcripts.

Confidential References Required

You must obtain references from two individuals. References should be people who can speak knowledgeably of your professional and academic experience, and of your qualifications for a career in business. *Completed reference forms should be returned to you in sealed envelopes and included with your application form.*

Payments and Renewals

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

For Further Information

Please read these instructions and those on the following pages carefully before you call for additional information. If you cannot find the answer to your question in the form, please call the AICPA at (212) 596-6224.

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2005–2006 Application

Section B. Please TYPE or print all responses.

Last name: _____

First name: _____

Gender: Male Female

Degree program: BA BS MAcc MBA Other: _____

Major field of study: _____

Expected graduation date: _____

If entering graduate school, to which graduate programs have you applied and been accepted? _____

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Social Security Number

List all the **schools, including the one in which you are currently enrolled, that you have attended.** For each school, indicate the dates of attendance, degree(s) or diploma(s) received, major field of study, and overall and major GPA.

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

List your **work experience**, including part-time and/or summer positions, present employer first. (You may attach a current copy of your resumé, but *note that this section must also be completed.*)

Dates		Name, City and State of Employer	Position Held
From	To		

Names and telephone numbers (with area codes) of **your references**: _____

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

List any **other financial aid** you are receiving: _____

List any **extracurricular activities or professional organizations** in which you are an active participant: _____

Please *TYPE* or *print* all responses.

In the space below, please write a **brief essay** discussing why you have chosen a career in business and/or how you would influence others to pursue a similar path. ***Do not exceed the space provided.***

A large rectangular area enclosed by a red dotted border, intended for writing a brief essay.

I certify that all information provided on this application and all supporting documents are correct, complete and accurate.

Signature

Date



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Reference Form

Part 1. To be completed by applicant. *Please TYPE or print all responses.*

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First name: _____

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I agree that the reference I am requesting shall be held in confidence by Accountemps and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, its officials and agents, and I hereby waive any rights to examine it. Yes No

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____

Name of reference: _____

Organization and title: _____

Address: _____

Part 2. To be completed by reference.

How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant? _____

Are you aware of the applicant's academic record? Yes No

Please assess the applicant in the following areas and indicate the reference group used for your judgments (i.e., employees, students):

Reference group: _____

	Excellent	Good	Average	Poor	Can't judge
Written communication skills					
Verbal communication skills					
Quantitative skills					
Problem-solving skills					
Decision-making skills					
Ability to work with others					

If English is not the applicant's native language, please comment on his/her oral and written English proficiency: _____

Summary Evaluation: Please indicate your overall recommendation for this applicant:

- Highly recommended Recommended Recommended, with reservation Not recommended

Please provide a written evaluation of the applicant for the Selection Committee. Your candid assessment of the applicant's potential for success as a business professional and demonstrated leadership would be most helpful to the committee in their selection process.

Reference's signature: _____ Date: _____

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