



NUCA FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATION AND RESEARCH 2015 Scholarship Application Form



Rules and Instructions

Who May Apply

Any high school senior whose parent or legal guardian is employed by a NUCA member company in good standing at the time of the application deadline may apply. Student employees, including part-time employees, are also eligible, as are dependents of NUCA Chapter Executive Directors. The applicant must be graduating from high school in 2015 and enrolling full time in an accredited two-year or four-year college or university for his or her freshman year beginning in the fall of 2015. The following NUCA Scholarships are available for 2015:

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| ♦ D.A. Foster Memorial Scholarship
\$8,000 award (\$2,000/year over four years) | ♦ William & Shirley Burgett Scholarship
\$2,000 (one-time award) |
| ♦ NUCA \$4,000 Scholarship
\$4,000 award (\$1,000/year over four years) | ♦ NUCA \$1,000 Scholarship
\$1,000 award (\$500/year over two years
for those enrolling in two-year programs) |

How to Apply

The complete application form and all required supporting documentation must be received no later than 6:00 P.M. eastern time, Friday, May 29, 2015. Supporting documentation may be sent separately. **Incomplete and improper applications will not be considered.** Please address to: NUCA Foundation Scholarship Committee, 3925 Chain Bridge Rd, Ste 300, Fairfax, VA 22030. Applicants may also email their application to nuca@nuca.com. NUCA staff will endeavor to advise applicants of incomplete applications only if, in staff's judgment, the incomplete information can be reasonably expected to be resolved and missing information received before the deadline.

Additional Documentation Required

The application will not be considered complete without an official transcript of high school grades and national tests (SAT, ACT, etc.) and a signed letter of recommendation from a high school faculty member. Emailed, faxed, and uncertified photocopies will NOT be accepted. National test scores are not required for consideration for the NUCA scholarship reserved for students planning to enter a two-year degree program only. NUCA recognizes that some applicants may not have graduated by the entry deadline and that not all high schools are on the same schedule. Accordingly, official transcripts current to the most recent grading period are acceptable.

How Applications Are Judged

Selections will be based on the overall worthiness of the applicant by a panel of judges chosen from NUCA membership by the NUCA Scholarship Committee. The Committee will consider standardized test scores (SAT, ACT, etc.), community service and extra-curricular activities, career goals, work experience, essay, and other information required in the application. Applications and transcripts will not be returned, and scoring will not be divulged. Judging decisions are final. Judges will decide impartially and without respect to the identity of any applicant. Judges will award the greatest value scholarship to the highest scoring applicant and award the remainder in descending order of value and merit. Judges will also select a first and second alternate in the event that an announced winner is subsequently disqualified or declines award prior to issuance of the award checks in the late summer. Alternates will not be announced.

Confidentiality of Applications

Information on the applications will be retained in confidence and used for no purpose other than this competition. Applications will be destroyed by NUCA after they are no longer necessary records. Applications and transcripts will not be returned.

Please note that we ask permission to use winning applicants' essays in NUCA publications, presentations and/or exhibits. Please sign the release where requested. If you are a winner, we will also request your photograph for use in these publications.

Award Notification

Applications will be judged and winners announced by **Monday, July 6, 2015**, and notified by letter shortly after.

Questions?

If you have questions regarding the application and review process, please contact NUCA at 703.358.9300.



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NUCA Foundation Scholarship Committee
3925 Chain Bridge Rd, Ste 300,
Fairfax, VA 22030
nuca@nuca.com

* See Rules and Instructions for details.

The applicant must complete and sign this form. A parent or guardian AND high school counselor must sign the application as well. All questions must be answered. Please use and attach additional sheets as necessary. If a question does not apply, write "not applicable" in the space provided.

Name of Applicant (Please print): _____
(First) (Initial) (Last)

Street Address: _____

City, State & Zip Code: _____

Telephone(s): _____ Preferred Email: _____

Name of High School: _____

Year of Graduation: _____ Date of Birth: _____

NUCA Member Company: _____

NUCA Membership of the company where you or your parent/legal guardian work is a primary eligibility requirement. Exception: If son/daughter of NUCA Chapter Executive Director, enter the chapter name. Applications submitted without this information will not be accepted. Company must be a NUCA member in good standing at the time of application. In the rare case that applicant is son/daughter of an individual belonging to NUCA but not affiliated with a member company, that individual must be a member in good standing at the time of application.

Company Street Address: _____

City, State & Zip Code: _____

Employee of Member Firm (Parent Name/Guardian Name/Self): _____

Mother's Name: _____ Father's Name: _____ Guardian's Name: _____

Number and ages of dependent siblings: _____

I certify that the information in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Signature of High School Counselor : _____

I approve the submission of the application:

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____



**National Utility Contractors Association
Foundation for Education and Research
2015 Scholarship Application**



I. GENERAL INFORMATION

Name and address of high school:

Year of Graduation: _____

Please ask your Guidance Counselor to attach an official copy of your transcript or have it forwarded and received by the deadline. Be certain that your Guidance Counselor signs the transcript and application form.

Name of schools to which you have applied (please list in order of preference) and circle those to which you have been accepted:

1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____
4) _____ 5) _____ 6) _____

Major course of study: _____

How long is the course of study? _____
(If beginning 4-yr. study at 2-yr. school, enter 4.)

II. CAREER GOALS (20 points)

Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

How do you plan on reaching your career goals?

III. ACADEMIC INFORMATION (20 points)

What course of study have you followed in high school (e.g., college preparatory, business, industrial arts, etc.)?

List SAT and/or ACT College Board Examination Scores. (Scores not appearing in your official transcripts may be submitted *if attested by a high school official.*)

(For NUCA use.)

List honors, awards, prizes, or distinctions that you have received (school and otherwise) over the last four years in order of significance, starting with those you regard as most significant.

IV. ACTIVITIES & COMMUNITY SERVICE (20 points)

List school and non-school activities (e.g., community, church, government) that you have participated in during the last four years, starting with the most significant. Circle the activities that are NOT required by your school. Include number of years in each activity and offices held, if any.

List and describe your hobbies and outside interests:

V. Work Experience (20 points)

Describe any work experience. How long did you work there, what were your responsibilities, and what did you do with your earnings?

What has your work experience taught you?

VI. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

Briefly answer ONE of the following: (A.) Who has made a significant impact on your life and why? (B.) Whose life have you improved and how?

(Optional) Add any information that you think may be relevant for the judges to consider:

III. ESSAY (20 points) – Attach a short essay on the following topic (750 words or less):

Construction industry leaders believe that addressing important public policy issues would improve economic conditions for contractors, manufacturers and other service providers in utility construction and excavation. Please select a topic below (or pick your own), explain the issue, how it should be addressed, and how your solution would improve industry economic conditions.

- Infrastructure Deterioration (e.g., water/wastewater, transportation, energy facilities)
- Immigration Reform
- Government Mandated Project Labor Agreements

Essay must be researched and written by the applicant only. Essay must be printed or typed.

Permission for NUCA to reprint essay and attribute your name: _____ (please sign).