



AIA Minnesota 2022 ARE Scholarship

The AIA Minnesota Architect Licensing Advisory Committee coordinates awarding a scholarship to an AIA Minnesota Associate member to cover the costs of all sections of the Architect Registration Exam, within the parameters defined below. 5.0 test fees currently total \$1,410 for all six sections of this exam.

Application deadline: 5:00 pm, Friday, January 21, 2022

Eligibility

The selection of the recipient will be based not only on eligibility but also on how well the required essay is written.

- By the time of application, the applicant must be an AIA Minnesota Associate member.
- Eligible applicants may have begun the test taking process.
- The applicant's employer does not reimburse employees for any portion of test fees.

How to apply

Complete the Scholarship Application including a 300-word or less response to the Application Essay by 5pm, January 21, 2022. Email Scholarship Application and Application Essay to: Deanna Christiansen Christiansen@aia-mn.org.

Application essay - Architecture for the Future of our World

Building technologies, project delivery methods, architects' responsibilities, firm structure, and the way we share information are all rapidly changing. Each of these elements is also set into a cultural context that is experiencing upheaval. Climate change will leave no one untouched. The voices of racial justice and gender equity are rising. A pandemic has gripped humanity, and reshaped our daily lives in ways we do not yet truly understand. The role that architecture plays will be shaped by your influence. In an essay of 300 words or less, please describe how you will take on the mantle of the Architect for the Future of our World, and how licensure will help you play that role.

Review of applications

The scholarship selection is made using a blind review of the applications.

The quality of the essay, based on the criteria below, will significantly influence the selection of the scholarship recipient.

- Essays should be succinct and have a single thesis.
- Essays should reflect the writer's beliefs, and ideas expressed should be original.
- Essays should be written with a clarity of thought and good communication skills demonstrated.

All applicants will be notified by February 11, 2022.

Distribution of scholarship

- The scholarship recipient has until January 31, 2024 to take and pass all sections of the exam.
- Reimbursement for those sections taken prior to January 31, 2023 can be requested for a first payment, with the remaining reimbursement made upon completion of all sections.
- If all sections have not been taken and passed by January 31, 2024, all or a portion of the scholarship may be rescinded.

Questions: Contact Deanna Christiansen, AIA Minnesota, christiansen@aia-mn.org.



Step 1: Complete 2022 ARE Scholarship Application Form

Name _____

AIA Member Number _____

Firm _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Does your employer cover any portion of the cost of test fees?
____ Yes ____ No (if Yes, you are not eligible for this scholarship)

Have you completed AXP?
____ Yes ____ No

Step 2: Test-taking Progress

Have you begun taking the exam? ____ Yes ____ No

If yes, how many sections have you taken and passed? _____

Step 3: Response to Application Essay

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- Thesis statement. Place at the top of your essay page a 1-2 sentence thesis statement
- Essay. Complete your essay in 300 words or less
- Do not place your name on the essay or identify yourself on the essay in any way

Step 4: Verify Accuracy of Application and Sign

I hereby certify that the information I have provided on this Application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, including that the Essay expresses my original thoughts and ideas. If I am selected to receive a scholarship, I understand I have until January 31, 2024 to take and pass all sections of the exam. If this condition is not met, I further understand that all or a portion of the scholarship will be rescinded.

Signed _____ Date _____

Step 5: Return Scholarship Application and Essay by 5:00 pm, January 21, 2022

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2022 ARE Scholarship Thesis Statement and Essay

The use of this page for your thesis and essay is not required.

- Thesis statement. Place a 1-2 sentence thesis statement at the top of your essay page.
- Essay. In an essay of 300 words or less, please describe how you will take on the mantle of the Architect for the Future of our World, and how licensure will help you play that role.

1-2 Sentence Thesis Statement

Essay (300 words or less)