



AIA Minnesota 2024 ARE Scholarship

Open to AIA Minnesota and MSP NOMA licensing candidates

The AIA Minnesota Architect Licensing Advisory Committee coordinates awarding a scholarship to an AIA Minnesota and/or MSP NOMA 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, Monday, April 15, 2024

Eligibility

- By the time of application, the applicant must be an AIA Minnesota Associate and/or MSP NOMA 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, April 15, 2024. Email Scholarship Application and Application Essay to: Deanna Christiansen Christiansen@aia-mn.org.

Application essay

The core values of AIA Minnesota are **Authenticity, Equity, Collaboration, and Integrity**.

In an essay of no more than 300 words, please describe the ways you hope to bring these core values to bear in your work as a licensed architect.

A blind review will select an essay that is written in a way that expresses the unique perspective of the applicant. The essay should be:

- Compelling – written with conviction
- Thought-provoking – expressing interesting and unique ideas; and
- Inspiring – potential to encourage and motivate others

All applicants will be notified by April 30, 2024.

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



Step 1: Complete 2024 ARE Scholarship Application Form

Name _____

Firm _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

____ Yes I am an AIA Minnesota member ____ Yes I am an MSP NOMA member

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 condensation (thesis) of your essay to follow.

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.

Signed _____ Date _____

Step 5: Return Scholarship Application and Essay by 5:00 pm, April 15, 2024

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

2024 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 the ways you hope to bring AIA Minnesota core values – **Authenticity, Equity, Collaboration, and Integrity** – to bear in your work as a licensed architect.

1-2 Sentence Thesis Statement

Essay (300 words or less)