



AIRPORTS COUNCIL INTERNATIONAL-NORTH AMERICA (ACI-NA)

Airports Council International-North American (ACI-NA) is the largest of the five worldwide regions of Airports Council International (ACI), the authoritative voice of air carrier airports worldwide. ACI-NA airport members enplane 95 percent of all domestic and virtually the entire international airline passenger and air cargo traffic in North America. The mission of ACI-NA is to advocate policies and provide services that strengthen the ability of air carrier airports to serve their passengers, customer and communities. Airport members of ACI-NA are the CEOs and airport staff who operate airports and who determine policy direction for their respective organizations, while the vision of ACI-NA is to be recognized as the “authoritative voice” of air carrier airports.

COMMISSIONERS COMMITTEE

The Commissioners Committee of ACI-NA is made up of members of the Boards, Commissions and Trustees of ACI-NA member airports. These officials set policy for and oversee the management of their airport organizations. The main mission of the Commissioners Committee is to promote the discussion and formation of policy positions in the support of aviation, to provide training and educational opportunities for its members, and to assist in the adoption of legislative initiatives pertaining to aviation security airport capacity, enhancing airport funding and/or such other legislative initiatives that support and enhance the operation of airport facilities in North America.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND HISTORY

In October of 1993, the ACI-NA Commissioners established the Scholarship Fund to recognize students with high academic achievement who are working toward a career in airport management or airport operations. The scholarship program recognizes the importance of the highly specialized education an individual must receive in order to fill the extremely complex and multi-disciplined role of being a professional airport administrator or airport operator. To effectively run today’s modern aviation facilities, an airport manager or airport operator must have high levels of management, operational and accounting skills coupled with some aviation experience. The Commissioners’ Committee Scholarship is designed to encourage and promote excellence in the educational areas necessary for effective airport management or operation. The winners of the Scholarship will be announced at the annual Commissioners Conference. The ACI-NA Commissioners’ Committee has awarded over thirty scholarships totaling well in excess of \$100,000 to students since 1993.

COMMISSIONERS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM INFORMATION

Purpose: The primary purpose of the Airports Council International-North America (ACI-NA) Commissioners Committee Scholarship is to award a scholarship for academic achievement to students enrolled at an accredited educational institution and working towards a degree and a career in airport management or airport operations. **This scholarship is NOT intended for flight related majors.**

Scholarship: An annual scholarship, in an amount not to exceed \$5,000, may be awarded to an undergraduate and/or graduate student officially enrolled in an accredited college or university degree program. Applicant must have completed, or is in the process of completing, the second (2nd) semester of study. **Scholarship recipients must be officially enrolled in a degree program while the scholarship is in effect, or it shall be forfeited.** Previous scholarship recipients may reapply for another annual scholarship.

Scholarship Requirements: The following requirements are necessary to be considered for the scholarship:

1. Applicant(s) must have completed, or be in the process of completing, the second (2nd) semester of study. Applicant(s) must be officially enrolled in an accredited college or university and pursuing a degree in:

- (a) an undergraduate program focused on airport management and/or airport operations, OR

(b) a graduate program focused on research in airport management or airport operations.

2. Applicant(s) must reside and attend school in the U.S. or Canada.

3. Applicant(s) must possess and maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 at the time of application and receipt of scholarship funds.

4. Applicant(s) must submit the following:

(a) Scholarship Application

(b) An **OFFICIAL** school transcript

(c) Two recent letters of recommendation: one from a former or current professor/instructor; and one from someone other than a professor/instructor who has knowledge of the student's leadership qualities.

(d) A 300-500 word personal statement with an emphasis on the applicant's goals and interest in airport management or airport operations.

(e) A current resume (maximum - two pages).

5. Applicant must agree that should he/she be selected to receive a scholarship, he/she will contact the Airports Council International-North America at 202.293.8500 and submit the Scholarship Recipient Response form to npick@aci-na.org within three (3) months after receiving the funds and at subsequent intervals as requested. The purpose of maintaining communications is to assist ACI-NA in tracking the career paths taken by recipients of the Commissioners' Scholarships.

6. Applications must be complete (type or print preferred) and postmarked by April 15th to be considered for the next school term. Mail all completed application materials in an 8½ X 11 inch envelope to the following address (DO NOT FOLD OR STAPLE MATERIALS):

University Aviation Association
ATTN: ACI-NA Commissioners Scholarship Fund
2415 Moore's Mill Road, Suite 265-216
Auburn, AL 36830

Scholarship Criteria: The selection process takes approximately three months. All applicants will receive notification by mail of the final decision regarding their scholarship application. The following criteria are used to evaluate each applicant for the ACI-NA Commissioners Committee Scholarship

- Evidence of academic excellence and leadership.
- Demonstration of economic need.
- Evidence of airport related classes or research applicant(s) have completed or will undertake.
- Demonstration of how applicant(s) will positively impact the airport industry.
- Submission of a complete application packet (Packets missing information will not be considered.)

ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
ACI-NA COMMISSIONERS' COMMITTEE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

I, _____, the undersigned, have read and understand the conditions of the ACI-NA Commissioners' Committee Scholarship as explained in the Scholarship Information. I affirm that I plan to pursue a career in airport management and/or airport operations. I give permission to officials of my institution to release transcripts of my academic record and other information requested for consideration in the ACI-NA Commissioners' Committee Scholarship program. I waive the right to access letters of recommendation written on my behalf, and I affirm that the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Scholarship program: Academic Year 20_____ to 20_____

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Legal name in full _____
 (Print/Type) Last Name First Name M.I.

Permanent residence _____
 Number, Street, and Apartment Number

 City State Zip

Your address at school (if different) _____
 Number, Street, and Apartment Number

 City (if studying abroad, add country) State Zip Country

Home telephone (_____) _____ School telephone (If different) (____) _____

Date of Birth _____ Age _____ E-mail address _____
 Month/Day/Year

(Check one) I am a U.S. citizen Canadian citizen
 U.S. national Resident alien expecting citizenship by the date of award

Name and address of academic institution _____

Current cumulative GPA _____ on a scale of _____

Current Undergraduate Degree sought _____ (if applicable) Concentration(s) _____

Current Graduate Degree(s) sought _____ (if applicable) Concentration(s) _____

Number of college/graduate credits earned to date _____ Total number of credits required for graduation _____

Expected date to receive degree _____ Degree you will receive _____

I have been admitted into a graduate degree program. [] YES [] NO [] N/A Date of Admission _____

Graduate degree(s) sought _____ Concentration(s) _____

Enclosures: [] **OFFICIAL** School Transcript **Mail Scholarship Application to:**
Please Check [] Two Letters of Recommendation **University Aviation Association**
 [] Personal Statement **ATTN: ACI-NA Commissioners Scholarship Fund**
 [] Resume **2415 Moore's Mill Road, Suite 265-216, Auburn, AL 36830**