

ATTENTION

Applications Available!

MERIT SHOP CONSTRUCTION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

- Sponsor: Minnesota Chapter of Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc.
- Administrator: Minnesota Chapter of Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc.
- Purpose: To improve the science of construction by providing financial assistance to individuals seeking to further their education in a career in construction.
- Eligibility: Any student enrolled in Minnesota State University – Mankato and Bemidji State University and a member of the ABC Student Chapter.
- Grant Amounts: Maximum amount of any scholarship to an individual in one year will be \$500. Each school will be awarded one \$500 scholarship.
- Application: Application forms can be secured by writing or calling the Merit Shop Training and Research Center 952-941-8693.
- Deadline: Application form and supporting documents must be received at the Center by 5:00pm on May 4, 2007.
- Recipient Selection: Recipients will be selected by the Education Committee of the Construction Education Foundation of Minnesota on the basis of merit and with our regard to race, color, religion, national origin or sex of applicants.

MN ABC Merit Shop Construction Scholarship Program

The MN ABC Merit Shop Construction Scholarship Program is sponsored by the Minnesota Chapter of Associated Builders & Contractors, Inc. (ABC) and is administered by the Construction Education of Minnesota.

The purpose of the Merit Shop Construction Scholarship Program is to assist individuals seeking to further their education in careers in construction. This assistance is provided through scholarship grants. Any individual who will be enrolled in Minnesota State University – Mankato and Bemidji State University and a member of the ABC Student Chapter is eligible to apply for a MN ABC Merit Shop Construction Scholarship.

Scholarship recipients will be selected by the Education Committee of MN ABC solely on the basis of merit and without regard for the race, color, religion, national origin and sex applicants. Individuals must submit all required forms and related materials on or before May 10, 2008 in order to be considered.

It is anticipated that approximately 1 scholarship will be awarded for the 2008-2009 academic year to each school. Each scholarship will be \$500.

Merit Shop Construction Scholarship Program

Eligibility

Any student that is a member of the ABC student chapter for Minnesota State University and Bemidji State University interested in a career in construction.

Application

1. Application shall be made on the form obtained from the office of the Minnesota Chapter of Associated Builders and Contractors.
2. All items or information requested in the application, including the rating sheets, shall be submitted to the CEF of MN, training partner of MN ABC.
 - a) Applicant should complete Pages 1, 2 and 3 of the PERSONAL APPLICATION and return them, along with any attachments, to MN ABC by May 10, 2008.
 - b) Applicant should complete the top section of Page 1 of the ACADEMIC ADVISOR FORM and submit both Pages 1 and 2 to the advisor at his/her current school or last school attended. Advisor should complete form and return it directly to MN ABC by May 10, 2008.
 - c) Applicant should complete the top section of Page 1 of the EMPLOYER'S EVALUATION FORM and submit both Pages 1 and 2 to his current or most recent employer. Employer should return it directly to MN ABC by May 10, 2008.
 - d) Applicant should coordinate obtaining ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPTS from his/her current school or last school attended. Transcripts can be sent with the Personal Application or the Academic Advisor Form, but the applicant is responsible for making certain MN ABC receives them by May 10, 2008.
3. Applications and attachments shall be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 10, 2008.
4. An interview may be required.

Screening and Award

1. Selection will be made by the Education Committee of the Minnesota Chapter of ABC.
2. Selection will be made no later than the end of May 2008.
3. The scholarship funds will be forwarded to the recipient's educational institution upon presentation of matriculation information for the 2008 – 2009 school term and other information is designated by MN ABC.
4. Recipients will be required to provide a photograph and bio after notification of award.

Miscellaneous

1. **APPLICANTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR INSURING THAT ALL NECESSARY ITEMS AND ATTACHMENTS ARE SUBMITTED TO MN ABC BY May 10, 2008.**
2. Recipient of all completed applications will be acknowledged by MN ABC.
3. Direct all correspondence to:

Attention: Scholarship Department
MN ABC
10193 Crosstown Circle
Eden Prairie, MN 55344

MN ABC Merit Shop Construction Scholarship Application
Personal Application (Page 1)

Date _____

THIS APPLICATION IS TO BE USED BY: Any Minnesota State University – Mankato and Bemidji State University and member of the ABC Student Chapter interested in a construction career. Competition rules and instructions are attached to this application. Have all application information returned to MN ABC no later than May 10, 2008.

Personal

1. Name in Full _____ Soc. Sec # _____
(Last) (First) (MI)
2. Present Address _____
3. Permanent Address _____
4. Phone Number(Present) _____ (Permanent) _____
5. Date of Birth _____ State of Health _____
6. Parent/Legal Guardian _____ Relationship _____
7. Address of parent/legal guardian _____
8. Occupation of Father _____
9. Occupation of Mother _____
10. Indicate the amount of money you have earned since high school graduations or during the previous 12 months. \$ _____

ACADEMIC

- a.** List in Chronological order all schools you have attended or are currently attending together with course pursued.

School & City:	Dates: (from-to)	Completion Date:	Type of Degree: Diploma/Certificate:
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Attach separate sheet(s) providing a chronological history of your activities if not continuously enrolled in school since high school graduation. History should begin immediately after high school graduation until present time. Include specific month, year and type of activity.

PERSONAL APPLICATION (Page 2)

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

NAME: _____

List extracurricular activities you have participated in since the 10th grade. Indicate elective offices you have held.

- a) Student organizations _____

- b) Community activities _____

- c) Athletics _____

- d) Other _____

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

List below full-time employment, summer employment, or other part-time work during the past three years/briefly explain duties and responsibilities(beginning with you most recent job). If part-time work, indicate number of hours per week. Use additions sheet with the same format, if necessary.

1. From(month)_____ To(month) _____ Year _____
Firm's name _____
Type of Business(construction, retail, etc.) _____
Address _____
Supervisor's name and position _____
Your duties _____

2. From(month)_____ To(month) _____ Year _____
Firm's name _____
Type of Business(construction, retail, etc.) _____
Address _____
Supervisor's name and position _____
Your duties _____

PERSONAL APPLICATION (Page 3)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

NAME: _____

Answer the following questions using only the space allotted.

- a. Are you interested in a career in construction? YES NO
- b. What construction field interests you? _____

- c. Why are you interested in a career in the construction industry? _____

- d. What events or series of events led you to this decision?
(Please use reverse side if necessary) _____

- e. Are any members of your immediate family involved in the construction industry? _____

- f. Where and for what program do you plan to use this grant? _____

- g. What will be the cost of you tuition, books and /or educational materials over the next 12 months? _____

- h. Where did you learn about this program? _____

Return by : May 10, 2008

I agree that this application and all attachments may be used for the purpose of evaluation and selection of recipients of the Merit Shop Construction Scholarship. Further, I hereby waive any and all rights which I may have under 20U.S.C.A> Section 12232(g) or any other provision of law regarding disclosure of any personally identifiable information or confidential letters, recommendations or statement made by my past or present academic advisors, educators, education institutions and employers. I have read and understood this waiver and acknowledge that execution of this waiver is not required for scholarship eligibility.

Signature _____ Date _____

ACADEMIC ADVISOR FORM (Page 2)

APPLICANT NAME _____

How long have known applicant? _____

How often and in what situations have been in contact with student applicant? _____

EVALUATIONS OF SOCIAL AND PERSONAL TRAITS

Please grade student applicant in each of the categories listed below.

Below		Above		
Average	Average	Average	Superior	Remarks

Cooperation _____

Courtesy _____

Dependability _____

Industriousness _____

Initiative _____

Leadership _____

Maturity _____

Self-Control _____

In your opinion, do you believe the applicant has the ability to select a goal and achieve it?

From the results of the latest tabulation, this student ranks or did rank _____ in class of _____.

Number of days absent from school during the past twelve months: _____

Additional remarks: _____

Please return this form by: May 10, 20078

Signature: _____ Date: _____

EMPLOYER'S EVALUATION FORM (Page 2)

APPLICANT NAME _____

How long have known the applicant? _____

How often and in what situations have been in contact with student applicant? _____

EVALUATIONS OF SOCIAL AND PERSONAL TRAITS

Please grade student applicant in each of the categories listed below.

Below	Average	Average	Above Average	Superior	Remarks
Cooperation	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Courtesy	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Dependability	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Industriousness	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Initiative	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Leadership	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Maturity	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Self-Control	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

In your opinion, do you believe the applicant has the ability to select a goal and achieve it?

From the results of the latest tabulation, this student ranks or did rank _____ in class of _____.

Number of days absent from scheduled work during the past twelve months: _____

Additional remarks: _____

Please return this form by: May 10, 2008

Signature: _____ Date: _____