

2016 Scholarship and Internship Application Instructions



A limited number of monetary and non-monetary awards are available for current students of the ACE Mentor Program of Chicago. Potential awards include <u>scholarships</u>, <u>internships</u>, and <u>selection to the</u> <u>Summer Design-Build Workshop</u>. Awards are provided to exceptional students based on their performance in ACE, and considering attendance, participation, aptitude, character and future goals. While sophomores are welcome to apply, preference will be given to juniors and seniors.

All interested Chicago Students must use the ACE National Online Application, which is available at www.acementor.org/students/student-login/ Only students who complete the online application by **Friday, February 12,** will be considered for these awards. **Late applications will not be accepted.**



College Scholarship

Monetary awards intended to support our students in paying for post-secondary education are provided by ACE Chicago. (*Returning students who have previously won an ACE scholarship are eligible and encouraged to apply again*). To qualify, a student must demonstrate:

- Intention to enroll as a full-time student in a program related to architecture, engineering or construction at an accredited college or university within two school of HS graduation
- Social Security # is NOT required

Summer Internship

Our summer internships at our member firms are our highest and most valuable awards. Not only do internship winners receive a competitive wage, they also gain extremely valuable work experience in design, engineering or construction management firms, and make important contacts that will benefit them throughout their careers. To qualify, a student must demonstrate:

- Proof of eligibility to work (e.g., Social Security #) IS required.
- Availability to work full-time Monday through Fri for at least 7 weeks during the summer.
- Able and willing to meet the conditions for summer employment as offered by employers.
 Candidates for internships may be interviewed in person or by phone by the hiring company.



2016 Design-Build Workshop

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The ACE Design-Build Workshop is an exciting summer program that develops design and construction skills though a 7-week, hands-on summer studio. Entry to the workshop is offered only to select ACE students, who will be solely responsible for the design and construction of a real project with a real client. Selection includes free admission and an additional scholarship award upon completion. For more information, please visit acementorchicago.org/designbuild/

 To qualify, a student must be available Mon - Fri for 7 weeks in the summer (8am – noon, June 23 – Aug 12) and be dedicated to a successful team project! Soc Security # is NOT req.



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All interested Chicago Students must use the ACE National Online Application, which is available at www.acementor.org/students/student-login/ Verify your contact info is correct, then click on "Current Year" in the menu bar. Click on "Scholarship Application for Post-Secondary Education and Skilled Training." Only students who are marked "Active" in the database are eligible for ACE scholarships or internships. If your status is not listed as "Active" or you cannot access the scholarship application, contact your team leader, or Carol Moy at carol@acementorchicago.org / Tel: 773.220.5816.

Below is an example of the online application, with supplemental instructions provided in red text. <u>Please refer to these instructions when completing your application</u>, and do not hesitate to ask your mentors if there is any question about requirements. Applications are due by **Friday, February 12**.

ACE Student Scholarship Application – 2015/16

For Post-Secondary Education and Skilled Training

(Verify your contact information)

First Name Seo	Last Name Khool
Address 1 1234 Main Street	Address 2
City Chicago	State Illinois Zip 60613
Home Phone 312-555-5555	Cell Phone
Email seo_khool@gmail.com	
Date of Birth 01/02/1989	Gender Female
Ethnic Origin Asian	

* Indicates a required field.

(All questions should be answered. If any field is not applicable, simply leave it blank or type NA)

High School*	
HS Address*	
HS City*	HS State*
Principal*	
Guidance	

Counselor*			
Mentor Leader*			
Cumulative GPA*			
SAT Math	SAT Critica Readi		
ACT Score			
ACE No Years			
Intended Major			
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First College		City	State
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Second College		City	State
			Please Select
Third College		City	State
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Name City Contact Person Phone About			
B. Parent/Guar	dian Informa	tion	
Name*			
Relationship to Applicant*			
Daytime Phone Number*		Evening or Cell Number	
Email			

C. Activities

List any school or community activities you have been involved with for at least one full year

during high school. Describe your involvement in each.

D. Honors

List any honors, awards, achievements, or certifications you have received that you are proud of.

E. Additional Information (Minimum words – 100 Maximum – 6400)

The following essay questions are your opportunity to let the judging committee know more about you, and to make yourself stand out. Your reponses should be thorough and well presented. Essays should use good grammar and be free of spelling errors. Approximately 300 words per response is sufficient.

1. Describe the impact the design and construction industries have on our society. Why are these professions so important?

2. Which segment of the industry (architecture, engineering, construction, or related field) do you wish to enter and why?

3. Were you planning a career in this field before starting the ACE program or did ACE help steer you in that direction? If so, how/why? Also, please tell us your top three choice for your future education (what schools).

4. Describe your experience with your ACE mentors? What did your mentors teach you about their profession? How will this experience help you as you transition from high school? What effect did this experience have on your college choice, or choice of study?

5. What was the most valuable lesson you learned from your time with the ACE Mentor program?

6. Additional Essay

Is there anything else you wish to share with the scholarship committee? You may include special circumstances or hardships that you have overcome.

Extra space for additional information if the affiliate wishes to add its own question. PLEASE CHECK WITH YOUR TEAM LEADER OR AFFILIATE LEADER TO CONFIRM IF THERE IS AN EXTRA ESSAY REQUIRED FOR YOUR AFFILIATE. If your affiliate asked for a particular question to be addressed on this application, please type the question below along with your answer.

CHICAGO APPLICANTS: Please type the following words shown in the box to let ACE Chicago know which awards you want to be considered for. Note that students will typically be considered for internships first, then scholarships and the design/build workshop. Students who participate in the design/build are <u>not</u> excluded and may also win other scholarships.

Please consider me for:	
1) Scholarships – YES or NO	
2) Internship – YES or NO	
Design-Build Workshop – YES or NO	
Students interested in the design-build workshop may include 1-2 sentences expl	e 🔟

F. Recommendations

Please download our recommendation form and save it to your desktop. *Recommendation form will also be distributed via email to team leaders.*

You are required to submit:

1. A recommendation from a teacher or guidance counselor that is familiar with your talents and interests in architecture, construction management, or engineering. Please be sure to give the person recommending you enough time to write a recommendation and return it to you in time for you to submit it before the scholarship application deadline. A recommendation letter from your teacher or counselor **IS** required. S/he should be someone who knows you well and help us better understand what kind of student you are and your academic achievements.

Type your name and high school, then give the form to your recommender with a deadline when you need it returned to you. PLEASE GIVE THEM ADEQUATE TIME; DO NOT EXPECT THEM TO WRITE IT IMMEDIATELY. Recommendations must be received by February 12 so that your application is complete - plan ahead!

2. A recommendation from an ACE team leader or ACE team mentor. Please be sure to give the person recommending you enough time to write a recommendation and return it to you in time for you to submit it before the scholarship application deadline. *N/A. Recommendations from mentors are* **NOT** required for CHICAGO APPLICANTS!

You are not required to submit a recommendation from an employer but you may wish to do so. Please be sure to give the person recommending you enough time to write a recommendation and return it to you in time for you to submit it before the scholarship application deadline. *Additional recommendation letters beyond the one teacher/counselor letter are not required for CHICAGO APPLICANTS, but are acceptable. If desired, you may upload additional letters (from another teacher, your employer, etc.)*

3. For your recommendations, please send the form electronically to your designated person. Have the person fill out the form and return it to you electronically as a PDF file. Return here when you have your files and upload them in this section. They will be included with your application in our database. *This is the preferred method for submitting recommendations.*

4. If you are not able to obtain copies of your transcripts or letters of recommendation directly from your school, please instruct the school to send them to the main contact person of your affiliate; their contact information can be found on your local affiliate page. Please note that your application is not complete without these documents. *If needed, provide your school or recommender with the following information: CHICAGO primary contact is Carol Moy at Hartshorne Plunkard Architecture, 232 N. Carpenter, Chicago, IL 60607. Your recommender may also e-mail the recommendation letter directly to carol@acementorchicago.org Recommendations must be received by February 12!*

G. Official Academic Transcript

Please obtain an official academic transcript from your high school. If your school is able to send the file electronically, please attach the file below. If your school requires the transcripts to be mailed, please have them mailed to your local ACE affiliate. *If needed, provide your school or recommender with the following information: CHICAGO primary contact is Carol Moy at Hartshorne Plunkard Architecture, 232 N. Carpenter, Chicago, IL 60607 or carol@acementorchicago.org Transcripts must be received prior to February 12! ACE Chicago will accept an unofficial transcript, so long as it reflects your full academic record for all years attended.*

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H. Terms of Scholarship and Certification

The Terms of Scholarship will vary by location. Please consult your local affiliate for details. *See page 1 for scholarship eligibility. CHICAGO applicants must submit your complete application by Friday, February 12. Applications or materials submitted after that date will not be considered.*

I. Application Submission

Only check this box if you want to come back later and make revisions to your application. All the information you have provided up to this point, will be saved for you. Check the box and hit the SUBMIT button below.

If you wish to leave the application and come back to it later for further editing, click on the first box then click Submit.

To return to your saved Scholarship Application: click on the Students tab at the top of the page > click Scholarships in the left—hand column. Log in and you will see a link under "Current Year" that says: <u>Update or Complete Your Scholarship</u> <u>Application</u>.

Only check this box if you are ready for final submission. Once you check this box and click on Submit, you will not be able to make revisions to your application.

When your application is completed and all attachments are included, you may submit your application by checking this final box on the bottom of the application, then click Submit. Once you do this you will not be able to return to the application. Please remember to click on this box when you are ready to submit. If you do not do so, your application is still considered pending.

<u>S</u>ubmit