



“Lifting As We Climb”

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NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Scholarship Application Instructions

Applications Accepted: November 15, 2016 – January 31, 2017 (Submission Deadline)

Since inception, the National Association of Black Accountants, Inc. (NABA) has provided millions in scholarship funds to deserving students. Through the generous contributions of individuals, groups, and organizations that share NABA's desire to break through the economic barrier minorities often experience, NABA offers scholarships on a national, regional and local level.

The NSA is accepted from **November 15th – January 31st** (submission deadline) of each year.

<u>Scholarship</u>
NABA National Scholarship
Corporate Partner Scholarships (various)
NABA Member Scholarship Awards (multiple)
CPA Exam Reviews

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants Must:

1. Be African-American (Black) or of African descent.
2. Be an **ACTIVE** NABA **student** member, whose membership dues have been received by NABA's National Office no later than **December 31st**. If you are unsure of your status, please call the national office prior to the deadline. **Special Note:** Regardless of the circumstances, once becoming a professional member, you are not permitted to return to student status. Graduate students must have entered graduate school immediately after receiving their undergraduate degree in order to maintain student status and be eligible for a scholarship.
3. Be currently enrolled at a four-year United States college or university as a full-time (12 semester hours or equivalent), **undergraduate** freshman, sophomore, junior, or first-year senior accounting, finance, or business major **or** be a full-time **graduate** student (9 semester hours or equivalent) enrolled or accepted into a master's-level business program.
4. Meet the minimum grade point average requirement in your major and overall as shown below. *Please provide a conversion of your grades to the "4.0 grading scale" if your college or university does not use this scale.*

<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>Major GPA</u>	<u>Overall GPA</u>
NABA National, Corporate Partner, NABA Member Scholarship Awards	3.5	3.3

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Please submit the following:

- ❑ A completed online **National Scholarship Application (NSA)**. Please type your responses, including "N/A" for items that are not applicable to you. The application **MUST** be completed in its entirety, and will only be accepted between **November 15th and 11:59pm on January 31st**.
- ❑ An official current **Academic Transcript (through the current fall semester)**. Official transcripts must be uploaded to the online application. We will not accept student copies or other unofficial transcripts.

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- A clear copy of Student/Permanent Resident Visa (only if applicant **IS NOT** a United States citizen).
 - A Current **Resume**. Resumes are to be uploaded in the online application.
 - **One Letter of Recommendation**. Must be from a member of the accounting/business faculty at your college/university or from a **non-relative** who is familiar with your academic and/or professional performance (i.e. employer, advisor, etc.). Letters must be current and on Letterhead. Letters must be uploaded to the online application.
 - **A Personal Biography of 75 words or less (Copy and Paste in application)**. If awarded a scholarship your personal introduction will be included in our scholarship luncheon program book.
 - **A Professional Headshot**. Upload must consist of 3 different photos. Each photo should be named using the following format: last name_first name_1; last name_first name_2; last name_first name_3

Example: Jones_William_1.jpg

- **An Essay Response of 500 words or less (Copy and Paste in application)**. Describe why you chose your major and the ways you will embody NABA's motto, "Lifting As We Climb."

Scholarship will be presented at the Scholarship Luncheon during NABA's Annual National Convention held June 6-10, 2017. The actual cash awards will be made from the NABA National Office post-convention upon receipt of proof of enrollment for the period covered by the award.

Awards are made for the following academic year. Applicants should be pursuing national scholarships for the 2017 – 2018 school year. Award recipients will be notified by April 30th. Scholarship disbursements will take place prior to each academic semester (Fall 2017). Awards will be made payable to the recipient.

It is your responsibility to ensure that your financial aid office and registrar have enough time (usually three to four weeks) to get the required items to you for upload into your application. We can only accept original documents.

Please note that CPA Exam Review Scholarships are for free or discounted review courses and are not paid to the students in cash.

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