



MINORITY ENTREPRENEURS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

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Marriott International and the IFA Educational Foundation have teamed up to sponsor the Minority Entrepreneurs Scholarship Program. The purpose of the program is to help and recognize minority students by providing scholarship funds to college students who are enrolled in business, franchising and/or entrepreneurial studies. Five \$3,000 scholarship awards will be presented annually.

Who Can Apply?

College students -- To be eligible for the scholarship, students must be enrolled in an accredited college or university. Executive education programs -- Adult entrepreneurs pursuing executive education must have at least five years of business ownership or managerial experience, as well as excellent credentials, including employment experience. All applicants must be considered a member of a minority group – African-American, American-Indian, Hispanic, and Asian-American. Applicant must be a U.S. citizen.

What Can the Awards Pay For?

Certain fields of study are earmarked for the financial awards. Students should either be enrolled in courses or programs relating to business, finance, marketing, hospitality, franchising or entrepreneurship. Students should describe current academic programs in the space provided on the application form. Adult entrepreneurs should be enrolled in professional development courses related to franchising, such as those recognized by the Institute of Certified Franchise Executives (ICFE).

How Do You Get Started?

Complete the application form and submit it to the IFA Educational Foundation. Students must also provide a certified copy of their academic transcript. Adult entrepreneurs must submit a resume summarizing professional and academic experience. Applicants must specify the program for which any and all scholarship award funds will be used.

Application Deadline

All Scholarship Applications and materials must be postmarked no later than April 15, 2006. Scholarship awards will be announced in the spring of the year.

Application Procedure

Send the application and supporting materials in a single packet to: John Reynolds, President, IFA Educational Foundation, 1501 K Street, NW, Suite 350, Washington, D.C. 20005.

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Minimum Qualifications

- (1) Students must be enrolled in an accredited college or university with active student status for the period of the scholarship.
- (2) Adult entrepreneurs must have a minimum of five years of business ownership or managerial experience as well as excellent credentials.
- (3) All applicants must be a member of an ethnic minority group – African American, American Indian, Hispanic-American, and Asian-American.
- (4) Students must provide a certified copy of their academic transcript.
- (5) Adults must provide a resume summarizing professional experience.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

(Students)

University/College: _____

City: _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Academic Advisor/Contact: _____

(Adults)

Business/company: _____

City: _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Please attach the following and submit with application:

- (Students) Academic transcript
- (Adults) Resume
- (Students and Adults) typed, 500-word essay addressing “Why I Want the Scholarship and Your Career Goals”

Please specify and describe the program for which the scholarship award will be used:

Please mail to: IFA Educational Foundation, c/o President, 1501 K Street, NW, Suite 350, Washington, DC 20005.