

# **CALL FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS**

## **American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) Albuquerque Section**

The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) is the largest and oldest association devoted to science and engineering in aviation and aerospace. The purpose of the AIAA is to advance the art, science, and technology of aeronautics and astronautics, and to promote professionalism of those engaged in these pursuits. The AIAA's technical interests cover over 50 specialties ranging from aerodynamic deceleration to underwater propulsion. The AIAA recognizes outstanding professional achievement through its program of honors and awards. AIAA acknowledges its responsibility to the general public which supports the aerospace program and undertakes to keep the public aware of aerospace progress and benefits.

The Albuquerque AIAA Section has established an annual scholarship award. **A single (1) scholarship, to be awarded in May of 2009, will be for the amount of \$2,000.00.** The scholarship will be presented to an undergraduate or graduate student enrolled in any of the three universities which are within the boundaries of the Albuquerque AIAA Section: the University of NM, the NM Institute of Mining and Technology, or NM Highlands University. The recipient must be:

- A U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- Pursuing a course of study related to the art, science, and/or technology of Aeronautics and/or Astronautics

Undergraduate applicants must have completed at least 60 hours in a degree-granting curriculum by the end of the semester of application. Graduate students must be admitted to a degree program at the time of application.

Each applicant must submit a typed one (1) page essay describing the relevance of his/her course of study to the field of Aeronautics and/or Astronautics. Each applicant must have a minimum 2.8 grade point average (on a 4.0 scale) and must submit an *unofficial* copy of his/her current academic transcript. Each applicant will also submit two (2) reference evaluations, at least one of which must be from a faculty member.

**The scholarship will be awarded based on the potential for leadership in the field of Aeronautics/Astronautics and on the potential for making significant future contributions in the field.** The scholarship recipient will be chosen by the Albuquerque AIAA Section Corporate Liaison Committee on the basis of the essay, reference evaluations, grade point average, and transcript. Participation in professional groups and financial need will also be considered to a lesser extent.

The applicant must return a completed copy of the scholarship application form (attached), essay, *unofficial* copy of their transcript, and reference evaluations (attached) by April 1, 2009 to:

Albuquerque Section of AIAA  
Attn.: Scholarship Program  
P.O. Box 20818  
Albuquerque, NM 87154-0818

Any questions may be directed to:

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As a final note, it is expected that the scholarship winner will be announced/notified by the Albuquerque AIAA Section on/about May 1, 2009. An awards banquet will also be held in mid-May, 2009, in Albuquerque, to recognize the scholarship recipient and other honorees.