



**2015-2016 School of Engineering (SOE) Scholarships
(NSF S-STEM Funded, Endowed, and other Corporate/Private SOE Scholarship Funds)**

- APPLICATION FOR CONTINUING, TRANSFER & GRADUATE STUDENTS -

Incoming Freshman (current H.S. Seniors): Must complete the SOE Incoming Freshman Scholarship application.

Selection Timeline

APPLICATION POSTMARK DEADLINE: JUNE 1st, 2015

Application Processing and Selection: *June-July, 2015*

Award Notification: *By August 31, 2015 (or before)*

Minimum Eligibility Requirements

1. Student must be admitted in the UNM School of Engineering (SOE) by June, 2015.
2. Student must demonstrate academic ability:

Current (Continuing) SOE Student: Most recent academic transcript will be evaluated and student must be making reasonable progress toward any degree program in the UNM School of Engineering (this includes students in the SOE General Engineering/Pre-major Program).

Students in the Departments of Civil Engineering, Computer Science, Chemical & Biological Engineering, Electrical & Computer Engineering, Mechanical Engineering OR Nuclear Engineering: You **DO NOT** need to submit a separate scholarship application for your departmental scholarships. A copy of the SOE scholarship application submitted by June 1st will be sent to your respective academic department to be considered for additional departmental-specific scholarships.

Students in the NSMS Graduate Program or Optical Science Program at UNM: You may be eligible for SOE Scholarships under this announcement if your major advisor is a tenure or tenure-track faculty member in the School of Engineering at UNM.

New Transfer Student: Academic transcript from the most recent school(s) attended will be evaluated.

Selection Process Information

- **Scholarships Requirements:** Once you submit a complete application package, you will be considered for all possible scholarships offered by the School of Engineering under this announcement. There are several MERIT-BASED Scholarships, but some scholarships may have more specific requirements (such as: be financial need eligible, be a New Mexico Resident, be a full time student, be a graduate or an undergraduate student, etc.) Eligibility for each scholarship will be determined based on the information provided in your application and a thorough evaluation of all supplemental materials submitted.
- **Selection:** Scholarship recipients' selection will be determined by the SOE Selection Committee (Representatives from all SOE Academic Departments, NSF Scholarship Committee in the case of the NSF Scholarship, or ESS in the case of Incoming Freshmen), and recipients will be notified via e-mail throughout the month of August.
- **SOE/UNM Admissions Status:** As part of the scholarship pre-screening process, SOE officials will review applications received to verify UNM and SOE admissions status.
- **Financial Need:** SOE Scholarship Officials will evaluate your need based on the records from the UNM Financial Aid system AND the financial information provided in your application.

2015-2016 School of Engineering Scholarships Application Package - Checklist

1. Please complete and **sign** the application form.

2. Attach the following documents to your application:

- ESSAY/PERSONAL STATEMENT:** Attach a personal Statement of approximately 500 words describing yourself, why you have chosen this career path and your future educational and career goals (double-spaced). MS and PhD Students: please include a paragraph in your essay describing your area of research.

ESSAY/SUPPLEMENTS FOR ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS:

- **NSF SCHOLARSHIP:** If you are an undergraduate student in Engineering or Computer Science, eligible for Federal Financial Aid through a FAFSA, with a 3.0 GPA or above, please consider including supplements for the NSF Scholarship that offers up to \$5,500 per year. **In addition** to the standard application form, essay, resume, and extra-curricular activities, please include **two (2)** letters of recommendation; at least one of these letters must be from a faculty member. A letter of recommendation from an employer may be accepted if employment is engineering, science or technical field related. The letters need to be submitted in a sealed envelope that is signed on its back by the recommender or e-mailed directly by the recommender to nsfstem@unm.edu. The recommendation letters are due no later than June 15, 2015.
- **ITEA SCHOLARSHIP:** If you are a Junior, a Senior or a Graduate Student in the School of Engineering and would like to be considered for the International Test and Evaluation Association (ITEA) Scholarship, please **ADD** a paragraph in your application essay that addresses your involvement in testing and evaluation of hardware and software.
- **W. GROSS ENTREPRENEURIAL/ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP:** If you have an interest in entrepreneurship and would like to be considered for the William Gross Entrepreneurial Engineering Scholarship, please add a paragraph in your application essay that addresses your interest in entrepreneurship.
- **KRAFT FELLOWSHIP for PhD STUDENTS:** If you are a U.S. Citizen and would like to be considered for the Charlotte and William Kraft Graduate Fellowship in the School of Engineering, in addition to the paragraph describing your area of research, please submit **two (2)** letters of recommendation. One of these two letters must be from your PhD Advisor in the School of Engineering. Letters may be e-mailed to scholarships@unm.edu OR submitted in a 'sealed' envelope to the address below. The recommendation letters are due no later than June 15, 2015.

- RESUME:** Include a copy of your most current resume.

- EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:** Please attach a separate list OR description of previous awards, honors, scholastic achievements, memberships, offices held (and duration), and ANY community service/extracurricular activities you do (up to 2 pages of extracurricular activity listing allowed).

- TRANSFER STUDENTS ONLY:** Must include a copy of your most recent unofficial transcript from the transferring college or university.

- INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ONLY:** Submit financial need analysis form (available in CEC 2080) and a copy of your I-20

3. Retain a copy of the application package for your records.

Please mail (postmark) or hand-deliver the complete application package by June 1st, 2015 to:

MAILING ADDRESS:

SOE Scholarships
MSC 01 1145
1 University of New Mexico
Albuquerque, NM 87131-0001

PHYSICAL ADDRESS (if hand-delivering):

SOE Scholarships
Engineering Student Services Office
Centennial Engineering Center, Room 2080
University of New Mexico – Main Campus

The SOE Scholarship Application
form is also available online at:
<http://www.soe.unm.edu>
(Click on Scholarships)

If you have any questions please contact the SOE Scholarship Administrator, Elsa M. Castillo, at elsac@unm.edu or (505) 277-5064