



DBIA-WESTERN PACIFIC REGION College Scholarship Application Advertisement

Application Deadline: *Friday, March 28th, 2025 @ 5pm PST*

TERMS, CONDITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Purpose: The scholarship is designed to recognize and encourage excellence in the Design-Build approach to Design and Construction. The scholarship is awarded based on merit/academic achievement, demonstrated interest in & understanding of the Design-Build methodology, leadership skills, and financial need. Awards to be announced on April 11th, 2025. Winners are encouraged to attend the DBIA-Western Pacific Awards Banquet (During the DIA-WPR Education Summit (previously WPR Regional Conference) on Thursday, August 21st, 2025 in Chula Vista, CA.

Scholarships Available:

- Twelve (12) \$3,000 DBIA Western Pacific Region Scholarships (plus \$500 reimbursement for travel and lodging costs to attend awards banquet at the DBIA-WPR Regional Conference).
- DBIA-WPR Chapters raise a substantial amount of funding through golf tournaments in the following areas: Arizona, Bay Area, LA/OC, Sacramento, San Diego, Nevada, and Hawaii. To sustain and increase funding for future student scholarships, one scholarship is guaranteed for each chapter mentioned above. The minimum requirements, listed below, must be met to qualify.

Required Application Documentation

- Application Form, via this link: [DBIA-WPR Application \(Google Form Link\)](#)
- Upload the following completed documents to the Google Form application as a single combined .pdf file in the following order:
 - 1. Letter of Recommendation from Professor, Industry Professional or DBIA Member**
 - Stronger letters of recommendation will address specific examples to illustrate the student exemplifying admirable characteristics such as leadership, work ethic, career focused efforts, grit, working well in a team setting under pressure, etc.
 - 2. Written Verification of GPA:**
 - A letter from a Professor or University Employee with official capacity (i.e. Academic Advisor, Coordinator, etc.), on University letterhead, listing your overall cumulative current GPA, major course of study and enrollment status.
 - 3. Accomplishments (1-Page Maximum – This is Not an Essay)**
 - This can be 1-2 clear and concise paragraphs with a list of Accomplishments.
 - Identify any significant accomplishments which you believe bode well for your application.
 - Reference the “Accomplishments” section below for more information on this topic.
 - 4. Financial Need (1-Page Maximum – This is Not an Essay)**
 - This can be 1-2 clear and concise paragraphs with a list of Financial Need circumstances.
 - Explain any significant financial need circumstances which you believe bode well for your application.
 - Reference the “Financial Need” section below for more information on this topic.
 - 5. Written Essay (2-Pages Maximum)**
 - **Topic:** Compare Traditional Design-Build vs. Progressive Design-Build
 - **Format:** 12-point font, 1.5 lines spacing, Times New Roman
 - **2-Part Essay:** Must address both Parts 1 & 2 for the essay to be considered:
 - **Part 1:** Provide a concise summary of the fundamental differences between Traditional Design-Build and Progressive Design-Build. It is acceptable to use AI for this portion of the essay as a reference. If you elect to use AI, you must provide a statement in your essay acknowledging what AI platform you used, and what it was used for.
 - **Part 2:** Identify and contact an industry professional (This can be an Owner, Architect, Engineer or Contractor) who has experience with both Traditional and

- Progressive Design-Build. Conduct an interview (This can be remote, such as via Zoom or MS Teams) with this individual and collect their perspective on the main opportunities and challenges with both Traditional and Progressive Design-Build.
- The industry professional must provide a verification letter, on their company letterhead and with their signature, acknowledging they participated in an interview with you.

College/Enrollment Status

- Candidates must be enrolled, at time of application and continuing education during the AY 2025 – 2026 academic year, in a trade school, community college or university in the Western Pacific Region of the U.S. (Arizona, California, Hawaii, or Nevada). DBIA encourages applications from all qualified students. Freshmen through Seniors, and Graduate students, are welcome to apply, as long as you will be continuing your education during the AY 2025-2026 academic year.
- High School students are not eligible to participate.

Academic Requirements

- Students in good standing, making reasonable progress towards a degree in: Construction Management, Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Architectural Engineering, Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Interior Design, or another major pertinent to Design and Construction.
- 2.7 minimum cumulative G.P.A. (through latest grading period).

Accomplishments

- Additional evaluation criteria that demonstrate a student’s leadership skills, work ethic, etc.. Examples of valued criteria include the following:
 - Leadership positions or participation in activities on campus, working while attending school, participating in student clubs or competitions, being a student athlete, community service activities, etc.

Financial Need

- Financial need will also be a criterion considered. Examples of considerations to justify financial need include, but are not limited to:
 - Is the student taking on debt to pay for school?
 - Approximately what % of tuition and living expenses is the student paying?
 - Is the student working and number of hours per week, to pay for education expenses?

Terms

- Scholarship Award will be paid directly to the student.
- Previous DBIA-WPR scholarship recipients are not eligible to apply.
- Award recipient may not send a stand-in person to the awards ceremony.
- Guests of the award recipient may attend the award ceremony at their own cost, upon their own online registration at www.dbiawpr.org

Questions:

- Submit any questions to Patrick Brittle (Education Committee Chair) pbrittle@csuchico.edu

[See the Application Scoring Breakdown on the Next Page](#)

Application Scoring Criteria

Category	Points (%)
1. Letter of Recommendation	10 Pts (20%)
2. Written Verification of GPA	5 Pts (10%)
3. Written Essay	10 Pts (20%)
4. Member of a DBIA Student Chapter	5 Pts (10%)
5. Academic Performance	5 Pts (10%)
6. Accomplishments	10 Pts (20%)
7. Financial Need	5 Pts (10%)
TOTAL	50 (100%)