

***Scholarship Application
and Instructions
for the School Year
2021 – 2022***



“Lifting As We Climb”

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Application Deadline: October 31, 2021 (Postmark)

In December 1969, nine African-Americans met in New York City to discuss the unique challenges and limited opportunities they faced in the accounting profession. In that year, there were only 136 African-American Certified Public Accountants (CPA's) out of a total of 100,000 in the United States.

Due to the lack of opportunities and resources, they decided to form the National Association of Black Accountants. Over the last 40 years the association has grown to include over 8,000 members across the United States.

Today, through the efforts of NABA and other interested groups, there are now more than 200,000 African-Americans participating in the field of accounting, of which over 5,000 are CPAs. As a leader in the business community, NABA continues to create opportunities for the purpose of enlarging the pipeline of African-Americans into every level of accounting, finance, business, and IT.

Application Guidelines:

1. Submit the completed application on or before October 31, 2021.
2. Be a current NABA **student** member in good standing. Annual membership dues, **\$35.00** for undergraduate or graduate students, are required to be paid to establish good standing. **Special Note:** Professional members are not eligible to apply for a scholarship.
3. Be **currently** enrolled at a four-year college or university in the State of Arkansas as a full-time (12 semester hours or equivalent) **undergraduate** freshman, sophomore, junior, or first-year senior **majoring in accounting, finance or business**; be a full-time **graduate** student (9 semester hours or equivalent) enrolled or accepted into a master's-level business program; or, be a law student with a demonstrable interest in business law (for example, enrolled in/completed business law school courses and/or holds an undergraduate business degree).
4. Meet the minimum grade point average requirement of 3.0 overall. *Please provide a conversion of your grades to the "4.0 grading scale" if your college or university does not use this scale.*

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Please submit the following (postmarked by October 31, 2021):

- ❑ A completed **Scholarship Application**. Please type or clearly print your responses. The application **MUST** be completed and submitted with the items listed below by **October 31, 2021** (postmark deadline).
- ❑ An official current **Academic Transcript**. You must request that your university's registrar forward the transcript directly to you or the Chapter's P.O. Box. We will not accept student copies, opened official transcripts, or other unofficial transcripts.
- ❑ A current **Resume**.
- ❑ A recent, business-appropriate **headshot portrait**.
- ❑ Two (2) **Letters of Recommendation**. One must be from a member of the business school faculty at your college/university. The other may be from a **non-relative** who is familiar with your academic, extracurricular and/or professional performance (i.e. employer, advisor, etc.).
- ❑ A **Personal Biography** of **500 words or less**. Your biography should specifically discuss your career objectives, leadership abilities, community activities, background and your involvement in NABA (if applicable).

Awards are made for the 2021 – 2022 academic school year. Award notification will be communicated via email. Scholarship disbursements will take place after verification of full-time enrollment.

Applications and all accompanying materials may be submitted to
Vonnice Boone, MBA, 2021 Scholarship Chairperson at
NWANABA.Scholarship@gmail.com or, via mail:
National Association of Black Accountants, Inc.
Northwest Arkansas Chapter
Attention: Vonnice Boone, Scholarship Chair
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It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure the financial aid office and registrar have enough time (usually three to four weeks) to get the required items to the applicant or NABA. We can only accept original documents. Faxed materials will not be accepted. NABA is not responsible for items lost or improperly handled by the mail carrier services. We recommend having the scholarship package sent by certified mail. **Please plan carefully so that the submitted application receives the careful consideration it deserves.**

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Personal Information

Name:
 Last First Middle Initial
 E-Mail: (personal email address, if applicable)

Permanent Address

Street

 City State Zip Code
 Permanent Phone:

Campus or Temporary Address

Street

 City State Zip Code
 Campus or Temporary Phone:

Preferred Mailing Address (check one): Permanent Campus or Temporary

Academic Profile

College/University Name:
 Classification: Major:
 Expected Graduation Date: Expected Degree:
 Grade Point Average (as of May 31, 2021) Major: Overall: Scale:

Name of other Colleges/Universities attended

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
School	City/State
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Years attended	Certificate/Degree

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NABA Student Chapter Affiliation:

Accounting Career Awareness Program (ACAP) Participant (check one)? Y N

Ethnic Minority Group (check one)

African American Asian

Native American Hispanic

African Other (explain)

Gender (check one)

Male

Female

List any honors, distinctions, and scholarships that you have received

Description	Date

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List your extracurricular activities and organizational involvement (documentation of community service must be included)

Description	Date

Employment

Are you currently employed?

If yes, how many hours do you work per week?

Employer:

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Type of work:

APPLICANT'S STATEMENT

In submitting this application, I hereby certify that:

1. I have met **ALL** requirements as outlined and acknowledge that misrepresentation of the information presented may be grounds to rescind the scholarship award. I also agree to inform the scholarship committee of any significant changes to that information.
2. I agree to the release of official transcripts of my grades to the National Association of Black Accountants, Inc.
3. If I am awarded a scholarship, I will provide satisfactory evidence, as required by NABA, of my full-time enrollment during the period(s) for which the scholarship is awarded.
4. I understand that submission of this application constitutes permission to use my name and/or photograph for promotional purposes in NABA communications and/or publications.

Print Name

Signature

Date

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