

# AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter 2017 Scholarships

The Armed Forces Communications-Electronics Association (AFCEA) Quantico-Potomac Chapter plans to award scholarships to highly qualified students from the Quantico, Stafford County and Prince William County, Virginia area. Subject to the availability of funds and quality of applications, scholarships will be awarded to students enrolled for the 2017 academic year as full-time students in a course of study at an accredited four-year college or university that leads to a Bachelor's degree, or a two-year program from an accredited college or university leading to a Master's degree in one of the Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics (STEM) disciplines. The scholarship committee's focus is to encourage students to pursue professional STEM careers, especially supporting AFCEA's focus on military communications, electronics, information technology, and intelligence systems.

## **Eligibility (and non-eligibility) Criteria**

- Applicants must be U.S. citizens or possess a Study & Exchange Visa (F-1), or Immigration Visa holders, in HS or college, pursuing a STEM related degree.
- Applicants must be a graduating high school senior, an undergrad student (all four years) or a first year graduate student.
- Applicants must be accepted for enrollment during the 2017/18 academic year in a full-time course of study at an accredited college or university in the United States. NOTE: Enrollment in distance learning programs does not meet this requirement.
- The applicant's course of study must lead to a Bachelor of Science degree in one of the STEM disciplines.
- Eligible applicants include residents of Stafford County and Prince William County, Virginia (and including the City of Manassas and Manassas Park), attending school in Stafford County or Prince William County, and dependents of active duty military personnel who attend Quantico Middle/High School.
- Home-schooled and private high school students residing in Stafford or Prince William County may also apply.
- Applicants who have received appointments to military academies or four-year ROTC/NROTC scholarships are **NOT** eligible.
- Applicants are eligible for only one scholarship award by an AFCEA Chapter per year. Ex: A student cannot receive a scholarship from the Quantico-Potomac chapter and the Belvoir chapters in the same year.
- **New!** Applicants who are using the GI-Bill are NOT eligible.

## **Scholarship Application Procedures**

*Scholarship application packages must be submitted by mail with postmarks dated no later than April 22, 2017.*

**Selection:** The Board of Directors of the AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter will appoint a Scholarship Selection Committee composed of current Chapter members to review and rank applications. The Scholarship Committee Chairperson will offer AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter Scholarships to applicants in the order of their ranking by the selection committee up to the availability of scholarship funding. Applicants will be asked to confirm their continued eligibility for an award. In the event that a primary selectee does not confirm eligibility for an award, scholarships will be offered to alternate selectees. The Scholarship Committee Chairperson will notify scholarship winners of their final selection for awards no later than May 31, 2017.

## **Award Procedures:**

Scholarship funds will be paid directly to the Finance Office of the scholarship winner's chosen college/university in the form of a check drawn on the AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter Education Fund account. The Chapter will send representatives to the 2017 Academic Awards ceremonies at the students' schools to recognize the students before an audience of their parents, teachers, and peers. Those who do not receive their awards at a year-end academic awards ceremony will be invited to attend one of Chapter's Monthly luncheon meetings to receive their awards.

**For Further Information:** Contact James Longi at [james.longi@att.com](mailto:james.longi@att.com) – begin your subject line with “AFCEA 2017 Scholarship”.

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## Application Procedures

### Complete the following forms included in this document:

- Privacy Statement co-signed by Applicant and Parent
- Applicant Information Form
- Scholastic Standing Form (Completed/Signed by Counselor/Advisor)
- Applicant's Personal Statement (200-250 words).

### Attach the following additional documents:

- Graduating high school seniors – a letter of recommendation from your academic counselor or a math, science, or engineering teacher
- Letter of acceptance or proof of enrollment from the college or university for the 2017/18 academic year
- Official academic transcripts for the two most recently completed academic years

### Submit Applications by Mail to:

AFCEA Quantico Potomac Chapter  
(Attn: Scholarship Committee)  
PO Box 1106  
Quantico, VA 22134

*Mailed applications must be postmarked no later than April 22, 2017*

**Please read: The Scholarship Committee reserves the right to confirm any information included in the scholarship application. Any inclusion of false or fraudulent information on the application will immediately disqualify the applicant. If false or fraudulent information is discovered after the scholarship award is announced, the award will be rescinded and the student's high school and college/university will be notified.**

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## Application for 2017 AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Scholarship Program

**PRIVACY STATEMENT:** The personal information requested herein and personal statement(s) will be used to evaluate the applicant's eligibility for scholarships to be awarded by the AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter. The information will be maintained by the AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter and will be released only to individuals who serve on the Chapter's Scholarship Selection Committee. Under no circumstances will any applicant's personal information be disclosed to anyone outside of this AFCEA Chapter. The applicant's submission of the information requested is voluntary; however, failure to provide all of the requested information may hinder evaluation of the application and reduce the likelihood of a scholarship award to the applicant.

**I agree not to contest the AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter's Scholarship Selection Committee's choice of scholarship winners for the Chapter's 2017 Scholarship Program. I affirm that all information provided in this application is true to the best of my knowledge and that I have read and understand the privacy statement above.**

**Signature of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Parent:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

A parent's signature is not required if the applicant is above the age of 18 and was not claimed as a dependent on a parent's previous year tax return.



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<b>Community Service Honors And Awards</b>				
<b>Award/Recognition</b>	<b>Presented by</b>	<b>Year</b>		
<b>Extra-Curricular Activities</b>				
<b>Organization</b>	<b>Office Held</b>	<b>From mo/yr)</b>	<b>To (mo/yr)</b>	
<b>Work Experience: List your work experience, whether part-time, vacation, or other during the past three years. (use additional sheet if required)</b>				
<b>From (mo/yr)</b>	<b>To (mo/yr)</b>	<b>Name of Business</b>	<b>Your Job</b>	<b>Hrs/WK</b>
<b>Other noteworthy achievements to be considered by the Selection Committee</b>				

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## Academic Standing Information

(To be completed by Counselor/Academic Advisor)

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Class Standing: Upper \_\_\_\_\_ % of total class.

Number of students in class: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA (indicate basis, i.e., 4.0 or 5.0 system) \_\_\_\_\_

SAT Scores: Math \_\_\_\_\_ Verbal \_\_\_\_\_ Writing \_\_\_\_\_

Counselor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the student applicant enrolled for the 2016/17 academic year in a course of study at a four-year accredited college or university that will lead to a Bachelor of Science degree within four years of undergraduate study?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Declared Academic Major: \_\_\_\_\_

College or University: \_\_\_\_\_

Counselor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Applicant's Personal Statement

In 200-250 words, discuss the factors and influences that have led you to consider an academic major in the hard sciences or engineering disciplines and your reasons for pursuing a career in your chosen field. Please note that the quality of your statement is heavily weighted in the Scholarship Committee's evaluation!