



Alliant Energy Innovation Scholarship Program

Program Information

To encourage innovation and creative problem solving, Alliant Energy offers a scholarship program for students pursuing a career in business, applied sciences, technology, engineering and math fields upon graduation.

The program is administered by Scholarship America, the nation's largest designer and manager of scholarship, tuition assistance and other education support programs for corporations, foundations, associations and individuals. Awards are granted without regard to the actual or perceived race, religion, national origin, ancestry, disability, gender, or sexual orientation of any applicant.

Eligibility

Applicants to the Alliant Energy Innovation Scholarship Program must meet all of the following criteria:

- Be a U.S. resident residing within the Alliant Energy service territory at the time of application;
- Be a dependent child of a current customer or must be a current customer of one of Alliant Energy's utility subsidiaries (Interstate Power and Light or Wisconsin Power and Light);
- Applicants, age 24 or under, enrolling for the **first time** in a full-time undergraduate study in a business or STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering or Math) major at an accredited two- or four-year college, university or vocational-technical school located within the Alliant Energy Corporation service territory (Iowa and Wisconsin) for the entire upcoming academic year.
- Have a cumulative high school grade point average between 2.50 and 4.00 on a 4.00 scale (or the equivalent);

Employees of Alliant Energy Corporation, Scholarship America, their subsidiaries, affiliates, advertising and promotion agencies and the immediate family (spouses, parents, children or siblings and their spouses) and persons living in the same household of such employees who are employed at the time of application are not eligible to apply for this scholarship.

Awards

If selected as a recipient, the student will receive a \$1,000 award. Up to twenty-five(25) awards will be granted. Awards are one-time only and are not renewable.

Awards are for undergraduate study only.

Application Process

- Start by going to https://www.scholarsapply.org/alliantenergyinnovation/ and clicking *Register to Apply* at the bottom of the page. You must read and agree to a consent statement, supply a unique and valid email address, and create a username and password.
- Correspondence throughout the application process will be by email. Email messages will be sent to the username and email address registered when you created your account. Be sure to add <u>alliantenergy@scholarshipamerica.org</u> to your contacts or address book and check your email regularly!
- Complete the application by entering data in the format described. Proper punctuation and standard capitalization (Jill Smith, 10 Main Street, New York, NY) must be used.
- During the application process, you may leave the site prior to submission by clicking Save and Log out.
- Once all application requirements are satisfied, *Lock and Submit* will be available near the bottom of the *Review Application* page.
- Carefully review your application before clicking *Lock and Submit.* Once submitted, you will no longer have access to your application.
- It is recommended that you keep a copy of your application for your records.
- You will receive an email acknowledgment of your submitted application.

Program Deadline

Your application must be electronically submitted on or before **February 15, 2019 by 3:00 p.m. CST**. Customer Service is available Monday-Friday 7:00am to 4:30pm Central Standard Time.

Required Documents

As part of your application, you must upload a current, complete transcript of grades. Grade reports are not accepted. Transcripts must display student name, school name, grades and credit hours for each course and term in which each course was taken.

Your application is **not** complete unless all required documents are submitted electronically.

Selection of Recipients

Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of those pursuing careers in business, STEM (applied sciences, technology, engineering and math) majors, participation in a leadership role in community service activities and volunteer service work, academic grade point average, standardized test scores and the content of a 350-word essay. Financial need is not considered.

Recipients are selected by Scholarship America. All information received is considered confidential. In no instance does any officer or employee of Alliant Energy play a part in the selection. Decisions are final and are not subject to appeal. The program is competitive; not all applicants will be selected as recipients.

Notification

Applicants will be notified in mid March. Not all applicants to the program will be selected.

Payment of Scholarships

Scholarship America issues checks on behalf of Alliant Energy for the Innovation Scholarship Program. Payment is made in one installment in early August.

Obligations

Recipients must complete an online Scholarship Acceptance Form (SAF) to Scholarship America by the indicated deadline, and notify their college, university or vocational-technical school about the award. Recipients must also notify Scholarship America of any changes in address, school enrollment, or other relevant information and send a complete transcript when requested.

Revisions

Alliant Energy reserves the right to review the conditions and procedures of this scholarship program and to make changes at any time including termination of the program.