



SOCIETY FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

International Trade Scholarship Program

The Society for International Affairs, Inc. (SIA) is an all volunteer, nonprofit, educational organization that was jointly formed in 1967 by the U.S. Government and Industry. SIA provides a forum for the exchange of information related to export and import licensing and compliance. SIA's interests cover the entire spectrum of licensing and compliance pertaining to the Departments of Commerce, Defense, State, Treasury and Homeland Security, with a focus on exports and imports of military, defense, and dual-use products and services.

As part of our educational mission, SIA has established a program that awards scholarships to undergraduate and post-graduate students with a demonstrated interest in the field of International Trade. In the past, scholarships have been granted to support studies in a wide variety of areas, including: political science, international relations, economics, and international business. SIA provides these scholarships with the goal of supporting students in their pursuit of studies in the international trade field and fostering the development of interest in careers in export and import licensing and compliance as well as relationships with current industry members. Numerous past scholarship members have completed their studies and accepted positions in the international trade industry.

Each calendar year, scholarships may be awarded in an amount up to \$5,000 each and will be paid directly to the college or university. The scholarship recipients will also receive free admission to one of SIA's conferences, which provide a unique opportunity to learn about international trade as a career and to network with industry members. Lodging and reasonable transportation will be provided.

To be eligible, the applicant must be a rising junior or senior undergraduate or a graduate student, enrolled as a full or part-time student in an accredited U.S. college or university, with a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

Membership in SIA or sponsorship by a current SIA member is highly encouraged, but is not in itself a requirement for scholarship eligibility. Criteria for selection, in order of importance, are:

- Proven interest or experience in international trade or related area, to include work or volunteer experience;
- Narrative explaining your interest in international trade;
- Current academic standing and performance (must be a rising junior or senior undergraduate, or a graduate student, with a minimum 3.0 overall GPA);
- Letter of recommendation;
- Honors;
- Relevant international trade related extracurricular activities; and
- SIA member sponsorship or SIA membership.

Please complete the enclosed application, and submit with the following attachments:

- Official College transcript(s) to include all institutions of higher education;
- A brief, typed narrative explaining your interest in international trade and why you should receive the scholarship; and
- One written letter of recommendation from a professor, work colleague or other individual who can speak to the applicant's accomplishments and interest in the field of international trade.

Scholarship awards are granted without regard to gender, race, religion, color, creed, age, disability, citizenship or national origin.

All applications must be received no later than February 17, 2017. Packages should be mailed to the address below or emailed to jillgarrison@siaed.org.

The Society for International Affairs
ATTN: International Trade Scholarship Program
P.O. Box 9466
Arlington, VA 22209

Application
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Name, address and telephone number of SIA Member Sponsor (if available):

Full Name of Student: _____

College / University: _____

School Address: _____

School Telephone #: _____ Fax: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Permanent Mailing Address: _____

Telephone # (optional): _____

Overall GPA: _____ Academic Standing: _____

List courses related to International Trade taken to date:

Course Name	Grade
_____	_____
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Anticipated date of Graduation: _____

List honors, accomplishments, experiences, or activities related to International Trade:
