

# National Council on Patent Practicum Diversity in Patent Professionals Scholarship Application

## Description

The National Council on Patent Practicum (NCP) Diversity in Patent Professionals Scholarship (scholarship) will be awarded to a non-attorney non-law student engineer/scientist that has demonstrated technical acumen, a desire to explore non-engineering/science career alternatives, professionalism, and the ability to learn quickly. The goal of this scholarship is to identify, educate, mentor, and certify engineers/scientists to fulfill Technical Specialist and Patent Agent roles. Candidates do not have to intend to go law school or become an attorney.

## Eligibility

The scholarship is open to U.S. Citizens who:

- Must be a minority or woman candidate
- Must be available for travel to Atlanta, GA on Mar. 20, 2019 for awards ceremony
- Technical Background
  - Possess an undergraduate or graduate degree from an accredited institution in Engineering (EE, Comp. E, Comp. Sci, ME, or Chem. E. preferred); or
  - Life Sciences PhD (Chemistry, or Bio Chemistry preferred)
  - 2.75 or higher GPA
- If you are a member of the National Society of Black Engineers, you must be a member of or join the Intellectual Property Special Interest Group (<http://nsbe.org/ip>)

An application is also needed to be considered for the scholarship. This application consists of:

- 1-page essay (500-word max) describing your interests and aspirations in patent law
- Resume
- 2 Professional references or 1 Professional reference and 1 academic reference
- Academic Transcript

**Deadline:** This application form and all other required documentation must be received by February 21st, 2019 (5:00 p.m. EST). Email to: [Scholarships@TheNCP.org](mailto:Scholarships@TheNCP.org). Questions? E-mail: [Scholarships@TheNCP.org](mailto:Scholarships@TheNCP.org). Website: [www.TheNCP.org](http://www.TheNCP.org).

**Required fields are indicated by an asterisk (\*).**

**Eligibility:** Students must meet these criteria to be eligible. Please initial.

1. \_\_\_\_\_\* I confirm that I am a minority.
2. \_\_\_\_\_\* I am a United States Citizen.
3. \_\_\_\_\_\* I do have a technical background as defined in the scholarship description

4. \_\_\_\_ \* If chosen for a scholarship, I will be available for to travel to Atlanta, GA on Mar. 20, 2019 for awards ceremony.

5. **\*Name:**

a. First name\*-- Middle name(s) -- Last name\*:

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b. If it is different than your formal name, what do you prefer to be called:

\_\_\_\_\_

6. **\*Have you won an NCPP scholarship on the national level before?**

\_\_\_ Yes (Year: \_\_\_\_\_) or \_\_\_ No.

8. **\*Home address:** The NCPP Scholarship Program is restricted to residents of the 50 states of the United States of America, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.

\*Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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\*City: \_\_\_\_\_ \*State: \_\_\_\_\_ \*ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

9. **\*Primary telephone:** (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

10. **Secondary telephone:** (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ **Extension:** \_\_\_\_\_

11. **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

12. **\*Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY):** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

13. **What school do you currently attend or did you attend?**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

What is your current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

14. **Classification in fall semester 2019:** \_\_\_\_\_

(freshman, sophomore, junior, senior, graduate, PhD candidate, postgraduate)

15. **\*What degree(s) are you pursuing/do you possess:** \_\_\_\_\_

16. **Anticipated year of graduation or graduation year:** \_\_\_\_\_

17. **List any other postsecondary institutions you have attended:**

17a. Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Years: \_\_\_\_\_

17b. Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Years: \_\_\_\_\_

17c. Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Years: \_\_\_\_\_

**18. \*The Essay:**

What does the scholarship committee need to know about you in 500 words or less? The committee members will be especially interested in these points: describe your interests and aspirations in patent law.

Attach your essay to this form. The essay is limited to no more than 500 words, two print pages. Recommendation: Carefully proof your essay.

**19. \*Certification Statement:**

By signing my name below, I confirm that all of the information provided above and in the accompanying documents is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_