

The Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. Scholarship for Diversity in Engineering & Information Technology

*Established in Partnership with
the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Pennsylvania*

Guidelines

Description and Purpose

Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. serves customers in technology, energy, healthcare and industrial markets worldwide with a unique portfolio of products, services and solutions, providing atmospheric gases, process and specialty gases, performance materials and chemical intermediates. The company is the largest global supplier of electronic materials, hydrogen, helium and select performance chemicals. Founded in 1940, Air Products is recognized for its innovative culture, operational excellence and commitment to safety and the environment. With annual revenues of \$10 billion and operations in over 40 countries, the company's 20,000 employees build lasting relationships with their customers and communities based on understanding, integrity and passion.

Air Products values, ethical standards and dedication to growth, excellence, integrity and resourcefulness are not only integral to its success and reputation with its shareholders, clients and business partners, but are also fundamental to its commitment to a work environment that is fair, honest, respectful, safe and inclusive.

As part of Air Products commitment to developing, cultivating and promoting inclusiveness, and in furthering the disciplines of chemical and mechanical engineering as well as information technology in computer science and management information systems (MIS), Air Products is pleased to sponsor the Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. Scholarship for Diversity in Engineering & Information Technology.

This Scholarship is designed to promote the engineering and information technology profession to individuals from groups historically under-represented in these fields. The program has two facets:

- Through scholarship aid, Air Products hopes to help assist the recipient students to successfully complete their degrees and do so in a timely fashion without financial strain.
- Scholarship recipients will receive consideration for internships and for employment following graduation.

Amount of Award

The scholarship program allows for two scholarships of \$7,500, to be applied toward tuition and fees beginning in the 2008-09 academic year. Air Products intends to renew the award for one year (2009-10) provided the recipient maintains appropriate academic standards.

Eligibility Criteria

- Full-time undergraduate students majoring only in:
 - **chemical engineering**
 - **mechanical engineering**
 - **information technology**
 - **computer science**
 - **management information systems (MIS)**
 - **IST**
- Will be enrolled as a **JUNIOR** in Fall of 2008
- Minimum GPA of 3.0
- Women and /or members of the following minority groups:
 - American Indian or Alaska Native
 - Asian
 - Black or African American
 - Hispanic or Latino
 - Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- Accepted at, or currently attending one of 84 member colleges and universities of the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Pennsylvania.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT EMPLOYEES AND IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS
OF AIR PRODUCTS AND CHEMICALS, INC. ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR
SCHOLARSHIP**

Selection Process

All applications must be **postmarked no later than Tuesday, April 29**. Any application post marked after this date will not be considered in the competition. **Please send application materials to Mary Maronic, Foundation Associate, Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Pennsylvania.** NOTE: WE UNFORTUNATELY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ACCEPT FAXED APPLICATION MATERIALS.

Only complete applications will go to the selection panel. A completed application consists of a completed, signed application form, a copy of the student's transcript, a resume and an essay (see Application Form for details). In addition, the candidate may submit a letter of recommendation. The selection panel will be made up of representatives from Air Products and AICUP.

Notification

We will notify each recipient by mail by mid-June 2008. Those applicants who were not selected will receive notification shortly thereafter. Recipients of this scholarship will be asked to report on their progress after the year of the scholarship is complete (June 2010), and to describe what difference the scholarship has meant, and what the recipient's plans are for the next year. Notification of renewal will be sent by May 2009.

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Application
(Please PRINT or TYPE)

I. General Information

Social Security Number: _____

Mr. Ms. (Please check one)

Name (Last, First, MI): _____

Current Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Please use CURRENT PERMANENT address to contact me in late June, early July regarding this scholarship (Including notification of winners)

Current Semester Phone: _____ Summer Phone: _____

Cell phone: _____ Email Address: _____

II. Academic Information

Institution Currently Attending: _____

Major: _____ Minor: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ GPA in major: _____

Expected Date of Graduation: ____/____/____

Will you be a junior in the fall of 2008? Yes ____ No ____

III. Sex/Ethnic Identification

I wish to identify myself as:

AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE

A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America and South America (including Central America) and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.

ASIAN

A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand and Vietnam.

BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN

A person having origins in any of the original groups of Africa

HISPANIC OR LATINO

A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

NATIVE HAWAIIAN OR OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER

A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.

WHITE

A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

Please Check one:

FEMALE

MALE

Signature _____ **Date** _____

IV. Release Authorization

I certify that to the best of my knowledge this information is true, complete and accurate. I authorize the release of information to confirm and/or verify this application.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

V. *Essay Requirement*

Please write a brief and concise essay, addressing the following:

Describe your characteristics, accomplishments, primary interests, plans and goals. What sets you apart?

Please read the following additional guidelines for use when writing your essay. These guidelines were created so that the reading of essays can be done as efficiently as possible and failure to follow these guidelines could mean that you will not be considered for the scholarship.

1. Limit essay to 2 pages
2. Double space each page.
3. You must have 1-inch margins (left, right, top and bottom).
4. Use a font that is easily readable and the font must be set no smaller than 11.

VI. *Academic Transcript and Resume*

Please attach to this application a copy of your academic transcript and your resume.

You may also include a letter of recommendation.

***ATTN STUDENTS: COMPLETED APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE
RETURNED TO YOUR FINANCIAL AID OFFICE FOR
SUBMISSION TO AICUP***

If you have any questions please feel free to call Mary Maronic (717) 232-8649 ext. 232 or email maronic@aicup.org. If you would like more information about the Association, you can visit our website at www.aicup.org.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

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How to apply

- Application forms are available at the Financial Aid office. Return completed applications to your financial aid office allowing sufficient time for submission to AICUP by the postmark deadline.

Application Deadline for AICUP

- All applications must be postmarked no later than **Tuesday, April 29.**

Please see the financial aid office for more details