



INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS FOUNDATION

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

DEADLINE: JUNE 1, 2012

Name of applicant _____ Date of birth _____ Male/Female

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Telephone _____

Current Rank _____ Volunteer ___ Paid ___ Explorer ___ Total years in Fire Service _____

Department currently a member of or employed by _____

Have you previously attended the International Association of Fire Chiefs Company Officer Development Leadership Symposium (COLS): _____ If yes, when _____ where: _____

Degree/certificate being pursued _____

Intended Institution _____

Address of Institution _____

Course/Courses _____

What dates will you be attending the course? _____ to _____ Tuition cost _____

Are you currently a member of the IAFC Federal Military Section? _____

In applying for consideration, I am aware that any grant will be applied against tuition, cost of books, or expenses directly related to the pursuit of the studies listed above. I declare that all statements herein are complete & correct to the best of my knowledge by signing.

Applicant's signature _____ Date _____

TO BE COMPLETED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMANDING OFFICER

Name and Rank of Commanding Officer, Sponsor or Post Advisor _____

Fire Department Name _____

Officer phone number _____ Officer Email _____ IAFC member # _____

Length of applicant's service to the department: Paid _____ Volunteer _____ Explorer _____

Signature of Chief _____ Print Name: _____

Learning for Life Representative Signature (Explorer Applicants Only) _____

Print Name: _____

Send applications to IAFC Foundation, 4025 Fair Ridge Drive Suite 300 Fairfax, VA 22033-2868. Please do not send registered mail. For more information Please go to www.iafc.org or contact Jennifer Cooke at jcooke@iafc.org or call 703.896-4822.

PLEASE SEE BACK OF THIS DOCUMENT FOR MORE INFORMATION

2012 IAFC Foundation Scholarship Guidelines

2012 IAFC Foundation Applicant Criteria

- Applicant must be a current member of the American or Canadian Fire Service.
- Applicant's Fire Chief should be a member of the International Association of Fire Chiefs. IAFC members given preference.
- Applicant must currently be an active member of a state, county, providential, municipal, community, industrial or federal fire department. Volunteers must have three years experience; Paid must have two years; Combination three years Paid and Volunteer; and Explorer one year.
- Applicant must have demonstrated proficiency as a member of the fire service.
- Applicant must use the scholarship funds in a recognized institution of higher education.
- Applicant (Explorers excluded) should occupy a supervisory, middle management or similar position of paid or volunteer work.
- Scholarship may not be used to fund formal academic research projects.
- Scholarship may not be sole source of academic funding.

Named Scholarships Available

The Federal Military Section Scholarship will be awarded to a qualified applicant who is an IAFC Federal Military Section Member or is with a federal military fire department.

The Garry L. Briese Scholarship Fund will provide one award annually. This fund was created with support from the Motorola Foundation. Preference will be given to Driver/Engineers & Lieutenants pursuing AA/AS or BA/BS degrees.

The John M. Buckman, III Award an award will be given each year in his honor at the discretion of the selection committee.

The Heather Westphal Memorial Scholarship will provide one award annually to a female first responder. This award was established in honor of the former IAFC membership marketing manager. This fund was established with support from IAFC (www.iafc.org) and the International Association of Women in Fire and Emergency Services (www.i-women.org)

The Motorola Future Leaders Scholarship Fund will provide several annual awards. Preference will be given to qualified applicants also enrolled in IAFC's Company Officer Development Program, primarily offered at Fire Rescue International Conference (www.iafc.org). These awards are made possible with support from the Motorola Foundation (www.motorola.com)

Application Procedure

- Submit a completed IAFC Foundation Scholarship Application and the following documents. Please do not use staples.
- Provide two letters of Endorsement acknowledging applicant's demonstrated proficiency as a member of the fire service.
- Provide current curriculum vitae or resume.
- Provide official course description from institution catalog.
- Provide a 250 word statement that outlines 1) A brief description of the course work; 2) How the course work will benefit your fire service career and department and improve the fire service and 3) Demonstrates financial need.
- Agree to provide a report at the completion of the program or course work that includes proof of course expense, proof of course completion, findings or outcomes from course work, and benefits course work has to your fire service career or to your fire department.

Scholarship Scoring Guidelines

The IAFCF Scholarship Committee will judge each application in terms of 1) Benefits to be derived from the scholarship for the applicant, the applicant's community and the fire service based on the applicant's essay; 2) Benefits to be derived from the applicant and the fire and emergency medical service that are outside normal fire department staff development training and 3) Evidence that the applicant meets all the applicant criteria, has thoroughly completed the application form and submitted all of the necessary paperwork. 4) Preference will be given to those pursuing bachelors and associates degrees.