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**MATSON NAVIGATION COMPANY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM  
APPLICATION & REQUIREMENTS**

**Northern Marianas College**



**APPLICATION DEADLINE: September 15, 2017**

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<b>Purpose of Scholarship</b>	The purpose of the Matson Navigation Company Scholarship (Matson Scholarship) is threefold: 1) To promote higher education by providing financial assistance for college students in their pursuit of professional careers, most especially in areas of business management or accounting; 2) to help alleviate the critical current and future shortage of skilled and trained workforce for the CNMI; and, 3) to provide current public and private sector employees with opportunities to improve their knowledge and skills, and enhance their career and professional development.
<b>Guidelines</b>	The Matson Scholarship will award one \$500 scholarship to three deserving full-time NMC students <b>pursuing a degree in either BS in Business Managements or AAS in Accounting</b> during the 2017-2018 school year. The scholarships will be awarded based on financial need, merit, eligibility, content of each student's written essay, and interview process (if necessary).
<b>Conditions of Scholarship Eligibility</b>	To be eligible for this scholarship, a student must: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Be a U.S. citizen or U.S. Permanent resident (Green Card) or residents of Guam, CNMI, Palau, Federated States of Micronesia, or the Marshall Islands</li> <li>2. Be accepted <b><u>and enrolled</u></b> as a full-time student at NMC during the 2017-2018 school year;</li> <li>3. Have a high school or college cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better; B.S. in Business Management; A.A.S. in Business Administration (Accounting Emphasis)</li> <li>4. Students may be eligible and may be receiving other scholarships to be eligible for the Matson Scholarship.</li> </ol>
<b>Application Procedures</b>	Applicants may obtain an application form from the NMC Financial Aid Office, or by downloading it from the NMC website at <a href="http://www.marianas.edu">www.marianas.edu</a> . All applications and required documents must be received by the NMC Financial Aid Office on or before the deadline. <b>Deadline for applications is on Sept. 15, 2017. The application packet should include the following:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An official <b>Matson Scholarship</b> application form;</li> <li>• All necessary official high school or college academic transcripts;</li> <li>• Proof of citizenship (copy of current Passport or court/hospital issued Birth Certificate);</li> <li>• A Letter of Acceptance from NMC stating the intended major;</li> <li>• Two (2) Letters of Recommendation from individuals who have knowledge of applicant's academic background and potential;</li> <li>• One written essay that should clearly address two issues: 1) Describe how you have demonstrated leadership ability both in and out of school; and 2) Describe the solutions you would propose to improve or resolve a current issue, such as, the local economy, the environment, health care or a current topic of your choice (Please see written essay requirements).</li> </ul>
<b>Selection Criteria</b>	Applicants will be selected based on: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Financial Need</li> <li>2. Community service or extra-curricular involvement (list service involvement and # of hours);</li> <li>3. Two (2) letters of recommendation;</li> <li>4. Written essay by the applicant;</li> <li>5. An interview <b>may</b> be required.</li> </ol>
<b>Written Essay Requirements</b>	The written essay should clearly address two issues: <b>1) Describe how you have demonstrated leadership ability both in and out of school; and 2) Describe the solutions you would propose to improve or resolve a current issue, such as, the local economy, the environment, health care or a current topic of your choice.</b> The format of the written essay should be typed; double spaced; font should be Times New Roman - size 12 point; page limit is 2 page minimum, 5 page maximum.
<b>Duration of Award</b>	It is the intent of the Matson Scholarship program to provide financial support to qualified recipients in the Fall 2017 and Spring 2018. Scholarship benefits and remaining scholarship balances may be transferred to subsequent semesters for the payment of educational services (including tuition, fees, and books).
<b>Award Amounts</b>	Each recipient will receive up to <b>\$500</b> . The award will remain in the name of the recipient and will be placed in the custody of the Northern Marianas College's Finance Office for the respective period(s). The award will be used strictly for payment of educational services (including tuition, fees, books, etc.) received from NMC. The award may <b>not</b> be withdrawn for cash and is non-transferable. Scholarships will be awarded to the eligible recipients during the qualifying semester.
<b>Suspension of Award</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. If the recipient drops below that of a full-time status at the end of the qualifying semester, the scholarship recipient forfeits their scholarship.</li> <li>2. If the recipient completely withdraws from the semester in which the scholarship is received for, the recipient forfeits their scholarship award.</li> </ol>



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**APPLICATION FORM**

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST** (Along with this application, you must submit the following)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓔ <b>Copy of Passport, Birth Certificate or Green Card</b> (Permanent Resident Card)</li> <li>Ⓔ <b>2 Letters of Recommendation</b> (Use Forms Attached)</li> <li>Ⓔ <b>Official Transcript</b> (high school or college)</li> <li>Ⓔ <b>NMC Acceptance Letter</b> (if not currently an NMC student)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓔ <b>Written Essay</b> (See written essay requirements)</li> <li>Ⓔ <b>Proof of US citizenship or Residency in Guam, CNMI, Palau, RMI, FSM</b> (Submit transcripts, tax forms, voters' certification, OR other documents showing proof of residency)</li> <li>Ⓔ <b>Completed FAFSA form</b> (See NMC Financial Aid Office for forms or more information)</li> </ul> |
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FULL LEGAL NAME (Do not use nicknames. Use name as listed on passport or your government-issued ID.)

LAST	FIRST	FULL MIDDLE
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MAIDEN OR OTHER NAMES <small>(Under which transcripts, records, or test scores may be issued):</small>	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP Ⓔ <b>United States</b> (If you have dual citizenship for the United States and another country, check United States.) Ⓔ <b>Other</b> _____ <small>Specify country.</small>	FOR U.S. GREEN CARD HOLDERS* (Permanent Residents) GREEN CARD NUMBER: _____ EXPIRATION DATE: _____ <small>*Please enclose a copy of your cards (both sides) with this application.</small>
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MAILING ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP
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HOME PHONE	CELL PHONE	WORK PHONE
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EMAIL ADDRESS (1)	EMAIL ADDRESS (2)
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NMC ADMISSIONS STATUS Ⓔ <b>Admitted, Enrolled Full Time</b> Ⓔ <b>Admitted, Enrolled Part Time</b>	MAJOR:	DEGREE SEEKING: Ⓔ Assoc. in Arts Ⓔ Assoc. in Science Ⓔ Associate in Applied Science Ⓔ Bachelor in Science Ⓔ Other: _____	NMC PowerCampus Number (If available):
COLLEGE STANDING Ⓔ <b>Freshman</b> Ⓔ <b>Sophomore</b> Ⓔ <b>Junior</b> Ⓔ <b>Senior</b>	COLLEGE CUMULATIVE (OVERALL) GPA (If Applicable):		Expected Date of Graduation from NMC (Month/Year):
NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL FROM WHICH YOU GRADUATED:	HIGH SCHOOL ADDRESS (Indicate City or Island)	HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION DATE (MM/YY)	HIGH SCHOOL CUMULATIVE (OVERALL) GPA

**SUMMARY OF ALL COMMUNITY SERVICE / EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.** List any extracurricular activities and/or community activities you have participated and a brief description of each activity. **Attach additional sheet(s) if necessary.**

**CERTIFICATION OF APPLICANT**  
 I hereby certify that the answers and responses for all items on this application form are complete and true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that providing incomplete, incorrect, or false information may result in the termination of any scholarship benefits and subjects me to the requirements and/or disciplinary measures as provided under applicable NMC policies and procedures.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**TO BE COMPLETED BY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT**

(Applicant, please fill this box first then hand to person making the recommendation)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ MI  
Last First MI

Proposed area of study: \_\_\_\_\_      ⑥ Full-Time   ⑥ Part-Time

**TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PERSON MAKING THE RECOMMENDATION:**

Please assist the Northern Marianas College in trying to make an accurate determination of the prospective scholarship recipient's qualifications as related to his/her professional objective.

1. In what capacity have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_
2. How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Please complete the rating scale below by placing a check in the appropriate column that represents your candid opinion.

Please check the following in the appropriate column.		Excellent	Above Average	Average	Fair	Unable to Evaluate
Attitude	(Professional Outlook)					
Character	(Honesty, Integrity)					
Communications	(Aural-Oral Skills)					
Dependability	(Willingness-Preparation)					
Judgment	(Maturity-Professional Ethics)					
Leadership	(Initiative-Self Direction)					
Scholarship	(Professional Preparation)					

4. On a separate sheet of paper, please tell the selection committee about the applicant's academic background and potential. Attach sheet to this form.

<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
<b>Name (please type or print)</b>	<b>Title</b>
<b>Firm/Business/Institution</b>	<b>Address</b>

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