



**Northern Marianas College**

**NMC Natural Resources  
Management**

**SCHOLARSHIP**

Financial assistance for students pursuing their  
**Associate of Science Degree in Natural Resources Management**  
from the Northern Marianas College.

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**APPLICATION & REQUIREMENTS**  
**APPLICATION DEADLINE: August 20, 2010**

## NMC Natural Resources Management Scholarship Program

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| <b>Purpose of Scholarship</b>                | The purpose of the Northern Marianas College Natural Resources Management (NRM) Scholarship Program is threefold: 1) To promote higher education by providing financial assistance for college students in their pursuit of professional careers in natural resources management; 2) to help alleviate the critical current and future shortage of skilled and trained natural resource management 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 NRM Scholarship Program will award <b>10 scholarships to full time students (enrolled for at least 12 credits) and 15 scholarships to part time students (enrolled for at least 6 credits)</b> pursuing their <b>Associate of Science degree in Natural Resources Management</b> . The scholarships will be awarded based on financial need, merit, eligibility, content of each student's written essay, and interview process.   |
| <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 green card holder) and a CNMI resident for the past three years;</li> <li>2. Be accepted <b>and enrolled</b> as a full-time or part time student at NMC;</li> <li>3. Have a high school or college cumulative GPA of 2.00 or better;</li> <li>4. Be seeking an NMC degree as specified in the guidelines above in the academic semester in which the scholarship is being awarded;</li> <li>5. If selected to receive scholarship, applicant must sign an agreement stating that he or she will work in the Commonwealth after graduating from the Northern Marianas College for a period twice as long as the period for which applicant received the NMC Natural Resources Management Scholarship.</li> <li>6. Demonstrate financial need.</li> </ol>   |
| <b>Application Procedures</b>                | Applicants may obtain an application form from the NMC Financial Aid Office or the NMC Instructional Sites in Tinian and Rota. All applications and required documents must be received by the NMC Financial Aid Office on or before the deadline. The application packet should include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ An official <b>NMC Natural Resources Management Scholarship</b> application form;</li> <li>▪ All necessary official high school or college academic transcripts;</li> <li>▪ Proof of citizenship (copy of current US Passport or court/hospital issued Birth Certificate);</li> <li>▪ A <b>Letter of Acceptance</b> from NMC stating the intended major;</li> <li>▪ At least one (1) Letter of Recommendation from an individuals who has knowledge of applicant's academic background and potential;</li> <li>▪ One written essay that should clearly address two issues: 1) why applicant is most deserving of the academic scholarship; and 2) what applicant plans to do or pursue after graduating from NMC (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. One (1) letter of recommendation;</li> <li>4. A two-page written essay by the applicant (see written essay requirements below);</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: 1) why applicant is most deserving of the academic scholarship; and, 2) what applicant plans to do or pursue after graduating from NMC. The format of the written essay should be <b>Typed; Double Spaced; Font Type: Times New Roman; Font Size: 12 Point; 2 Page Maximum</b> .  |
| <b>Duration of Award</b>                     | It is the intent of the NMC Natural Resources Management Scholarship program to provide financial support to qualified recipients in in the Fall 2010 and Spring 2010 semesters. Scholarship recipients may reapply for continued aid in subsequent semesters. 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>                         | <b>Each recipient will receive up to \$1,140 (for full time students) or \$570 (for part time students) per semester.</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. 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 by the start of the qualifying semester.   |
| <b>Suspension of Award</b>                   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. If the recipient fails to maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.00, or if the number of credits hours drops below that of a full-time or part time status at the end of each semester, the scholarship recipient must re-apply to be considered for the scholarship during subsequent semesters.</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>   |



Northern Marianas College  
**NMC Natural Resources Management Scholarship**  
**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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| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Copy of US Passport or Birth Certificate or Green Card</b><br>(Permanent Resident Card)<br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Letters of Recommendation</b> (Use Form Attached)<br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Official Transcript</b> (high school or college)<br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>NMC Acceptance Letter</b> (if not currently an NMC student) | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Written Essay</b> (See written essay requirements)<br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Proof of CNMI Residency</b> ( <i>Submit transcripts, tax forms, voters' certification, OR other documents showing proof of residency</i> )<br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Completed FAFSA form</b> ( <i>See NMC Financial Aid Office for forms or more information</i> ) |
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FULL LEGAL NAME (Do not use nicknames. Use name as listed on passport or your government-issued ID.)

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

**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. **Use 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 subject me to the requirements and/or disciplinary measures as provided under applicable students / College policies.

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

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**RECOMMENDATION FORM**

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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: \_\_\_\_\_  Full-Time  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 |
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| 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.

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| Signature                   | Date    |
| Name (please type or print) | Title   |
| Firm/Business/Institution   | Address |

*After completing, please return this form and attachment to the applicant. Thank you!*