

Mildred Colodny Diversity Scholarship for Graduate Study in Historic Preservation

Administered by the National Trust for Historic Preservation

Thank you for your interest in the Mildred Colodny Scholarship! The scholarship program provides financial assistance and experiential learning opportunities to individuals preparing for careers in historic preservation. The purpose of the Colodny Scholarship is to increase the diversity of people pursuing degrees and careers in historic preservation in the United States. The National Trust is seeking culturally diverse applicants whose commitment to historic preservation will be strengthened by obtaining a graduate degree in preservation, who will benefit from the internship and mentorship opportunities provided by the Trust, and who ultimately will contribute valuable, diverse perspectives to -- and become leaders in -- the field of preservation.

About the National Trust: The National Trust for Historic Preservation protects significant places representing our diverse cultural experience by taking direction action and inspiring broad public support. The National Trust is committed to representing the full breadth of our nation's experience in its activities and to leading the historic preservation movement in promoting and including diversity in its goals.

The National Trust defines diversity as inclusive, embracing people of all races, creeds, genders, ages, sexual orientations, religions, physical characteristics and abilities, veteran status, and economic or social backgrounds. It also encompasses historic places, communities and geographical areas that represent the full range of unique characteristics, experiences, and cultures.

Eligibility: Students in their final year of undergraduate study intending to enroll in a full-time graduate program in historic preservation or a related field; or graduate students enrolled in or intending to enroll in historic preservation programs. The program of study must be at a U.S. university, college or institution, and in order to receive the internship stipend portion of the award, students must be eligible to work in the U.S.

Selections will be based partly on financial need, and partly on application materials, undergraduate academic performance, promise shown for future achievement, commitment to working in preservation in the United States following graduation, and potential to help increase diversity within the preservation movement. Applications will be reviewed through a flexible consideration of all pertinent elements of diversity in light of the particular qualifications of each applicant.

Students who have received the scholarship in a previous year are not eligible to apply.

Eligible Fields of Study: Historic Preservation, or graduate programs in departments of History, Architecture, American Studies, Urban Planning, Museum Studies, etc, *with a primary emphasis related to Historic Preservation.*

Award: Up to \$15,000 towards graduate school tuition; a \$5,000 stipend for a summer internship with the National Trust following the student's first year of study; and up to \$2,000 towards the student's attendance at a National Preservation Conference.

One or more scholarship packages per year will be awarded. Tuition payments will be made over the course of the recipient's time in a graduate program. The summer internship may be performed remotely or on-site. Housing during the internship and travel expenses, if any, are not provided. The conference award may be used for conference registration, hotel accommodations and/or travel expenses related to attendance at the conference.

If funding permits, full or partial tuition awards may be made to additional recipients. Availability of additional scholarships will be determined on a year-by-year basis.

How to Apply: *Applications must be postmarked, emailed or received by fax no later than February 28.* Selected candidates will be contacted for phone interviews during March. Final selection will be made and announced by mid-April.

Candidates must fill out and return the attached application form, along with a resume, 2 letters of recommendation and appropriate academic transcripts (see application for details).

If you have any questions about the scholarship or the application, please contact Dave Ferguson, Colodny Scholarship Coordinator, at 202-588-6020 or via email at hr@savingplaces.org.



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Historic Preservation**

Save the past. Enrich the future.™

**Mildred Colodny Diversity Scholarship
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Application Form**

Mail completed form and attachments (see below) to:
National Trust for Historic Preservation
600 14th Street, NW Suite 500
Washington, DC 20005
ATTN: Mildred Colodny Scholarship Committee

Or fax to 202-588-6059, or email to hr@savingplaces.org

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I. Personal Information

Last Name _____ First Name _____ M.I. _____

Current Address:

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email Address _____

Permanent Address (if different):

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email Address _____

II. Academic History

Degree	Major	School	Department	Completion Date
Bachelor's				
Master's				
Other ()				
Other ()				

Describe the graduate education program you intend to pursue if you receive a Colodny Scholarship (if already in a program, note this under Comments):

First Choice:

School _____ Department _____

Degree Type _____ Major _____

Accepted Already? ☐ Yes ☐ No Expected Start Date _____

Tuition per Semester \$ _____ # Semesters in Program _____ Total Cost of Program \$ _____

Specialization or course of study expected/Comments: _____

Second Choice, if applicable:

School _____ Department _____

Degree Type _____ Major _____

Accepted Already? ☐ Yes ☐ No Expected Start Date _____

Tuition per Semester \$ _____ # Semesters in Program _____ Total Cost of Program \$ _____

Specialization or course of study expected/Comments: _____

III. Demographic Information

Race/Cultural Background

- ☐ American Indian/Native Alaskan ☐ Asian/Pacific Islander
☐ Black/African-American ☐ Hispanic ☐ White
☐ Other:

Do you have a disability?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Gender

- ☐ Female ☐ Male ☐ Other

Age

IV. Activities, Interests & Goals

1. List extracurricular, public service or community activities (excluding internships-see below) (up to half a page)

2. List any awards, scholarships or special recognitions received (up to half a page)

3. Discuss your career goals and how your pursuit of a graduate preservation degree relates to those goals. Include evidence of your interest in, commitment to, and/or potential for leadership in the field of preservation; describe how you can help to increase the diversity of the preservation movement; and briefly reference any preservation-related work, internship or volunteer experience you may have already. (up to one page)

4. The scholarship will be awarded in part based on financial need. While a formal financial aid form is not required, please explain any circumstances that make financial support a particular concern. (up to half a page)

V. Attachments: Resume, Recommendations and Transcript(s)

Applications must include the following attachments:

- A resume, showing any work, internship and/or volunteer experience to date
- 2 letters of recommendation, including at least one from a faculty member who can comment on your abilities as a student and your potential for success in a preservation graduate program. The letters should include the writer's contact information for verification and follow up.
- Undergraduate academic transcripts; and, for applicants who hold or are currently pursuing a graduate degree, graduate school transcripts.

VI. Application Process

Return this form and your attachments by mail to:

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VII. Signature

I certify that the information I have given in this application and its attachments is correct to the best of my knowledge and understand that any false or misleading answers will be grounds to disqualify me from participation in the scholarship program.

Signature

Date
