

The scholarship programs listed below **are not affiliated** with the NERC SMART Local 17 Lottery Scholarship or the Mass\_AFL-CIO Labor History Exam. For more information on eligibility and how to get an application for these scholarships, please contact the scholarship programs directly through their links listed below.

### **Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors' National Association (SMACNA) & College of Fellows Scholarship:**

#### **Information for Applicants**

- The applicant may pursue any course of study; however, it is hoped that a career in a field related to the sheet metal industry will be considered. College of Fellows Scholarships will be in the amount of \$4,000 per academic year not to exceed \$16,000 for four years of undergraduate study.
- Applications are available at <https://www.smacna.org/about/about-smacna/scholarships> and must be postmarked or have an email transmission date no later than **February 28th**. Applications can also be mailed to SMACNA College of Fellows Scholarship Program, 4201 Lafayette Center Dr., Chantilly, VA 20151-1219; or emailed to: [cof\\_scholarship@smacna.org](mailto:cof_scholarship@smacna.org).

### **SMART-UNION Scholarship Programs (formerly S.M.W.I.A.):**

#### **Information for Applicants**

- **The Scholarship Fund** awards 34 scholarships in the amount of \$6,000 per year\* for up to four years for full-time undergraduate study at any accredited college or university.
- **The Scholarship Foundation** awards 20 one-year \$4,000 scholarships and two one-year \$5,000 awards: the Joseph J. Nigro award and the Joey Nigro, Jr. memorial award. \*Please note that only qualified applicants from locals that participate by collectively bargaining to contribute or to authorize checkoffs at one cent per hour worked are eligible for the four-year scholarships. All other eligible applicants will be considered for the scholarship foundation's single-year scholarships for undergraduate study.
- **Eligibility** for a scholarship under the Fund or Foundation requires that an applicant be an active member of SMART's former SMWIA, a covered employee or a dependent spouse or child under the age of 25 of a SMART/SMWIA member or covered employee. The applicant must also be a full-time student or be accepted to be a full-time student at an accredited college or university. Definitions of eligibility (member, dependent, spouse, full-time) are printed on the application. **Grandchildren are not eligible.**
- **Application request forms** are available at [smart-union.org/why-join-smart/scholarships](http://smart-union.org/why-join-smart/scholarships) between the dates of September 1st and February 15th, they are also printed in the fall issue of The Members' Journal. The Scholarship Programs Office will review the information on the application request form and will mail the appropriate application (Fund or Foundation) to the address provided by the applicant.

### **Union Plus Scholarship Program:**

#### **Information for Applicants**

- **Application Deadline:** 12:00 pm (noon Eastern Standard Time, Wednesday January 31, 2024).
- **Award Amounts:** From \$500 to \$4,000. These one-time cash awards are for study beginning in the Fall of 2024. Students may re-apply each year. All applications will be sent an email notification.
- **Award Date:** May 31, 2024. During the first week of June 2024 award recipients will be notified by postal mail and all applications will be sent an email notification.
- **Eligibility criteria:** Current and retired members of unions participating in any Union Plus program, their spouses, and their dependent children (as defined by IRS regulations) are eligible. Grandchildren are not eligible unless are legally dependent (as defined by IRS regulations). At least one year of continuous union membership by the applicant, applicant's spouse, or parent (if applicant is a dependent). The one-year membership minimum must be satisfied by May 31, 2024.
- The applicant must be accepted into a U.S. accredited college or university, community college or technical or trade school at the time the award is issued. Awards must be used for the 2024-2025 school year. Undergraduate and graduate students are eligible to apply.
- Applications are available at [www.unionplus.org](http://www.unionplus.org).