

Technical & Community College Scholarships

Up to 20 scholarships of \$500 each. Reinstated in 2015, these scholarships are awarded to students who are attending technical or community colleges and are pursuing an Associate's degree in an applied technology field like Metallurgy, Materials Science, Manufacturing, or Welding/Joining. Each award is for one year and is awarded based on academic merit and financial need. Students may re-apply for consideration the following year. No applicant may receive more than two scholarship awards.

To be eligible for this scholarship, the applicant must:

- Be formally enrolled in an Associate's Program in an applied technology field (like, but not limited to, Metallurgy, Materials Science, Manufacturing, or Welding/Joining) at an accredited technical or community college; and
- Have taken and passed at least one entry-level class in the applied technology curriculum (i.e., a course that is specific to the applied technology degree)

How are decisions made?

The Selection Committee considers a variety of factors including:

- Academic achievement: Grades, courses selected, skills / interests
- Personal essay
- Recommendation letters

How do I apply?

In order to be considered, you must follow these steps and complete by 1 May:

Step 1: Complete the [online application](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/L6Q5X3R) (<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/L6Q5X3R>)

- The on-line application may be viewed without filling it out.
- Please plan on completing the on-line application at one time since the application cannot be saved and retrieved later.

Step 2: Submit all of the following REQUIRED documents separately:

- Current academic transcript through the Fall term (an official student copy is acceptable).
- Applicant's photograph
- One recommendation letter from the applicant's professor or recent employer

Optional:

- Resume
- One additional recommendation letter, for a total of two letters.

Send these documents to ASM either by:

- Emailing to: ScholarshipsTC@asminternational.org
- Mailing to: *Technical & Community College Scholarships
ASM Materials Education Foundation
9639 Kinsman Rd.
Materials Park, OH 44073.*

Deadline: May 1

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FAQ

Why are these scholarships being offered? ASM International believes in the value of technical educations that enable young people to be an integral part of the future workforce. ASM International understands that many students wish to improve their education and job opportunities while limiting the amount of debt acquired; we want to be a part of your success.

What is an Applied Technology Field? This encompasses a broad range of degrees leading to careers in companies engineering and manufacturing products; the degrees prepare individuals for starting roles ranging from laboratory technician to plant operations. In general, these degrees are 2 years in length (full-time) and require 50 – 60 credits to obtain; usually, about half of these credits are in classes specific to the degree. The degree is often called an **Associate of Applied Science**.

Common Applied Technology fields include: Engineering Design, Electrical Technology, Manufacturing Technology, Materials Science, Mechatronics, Metallurgy, Plastics Technology, and Welding Technology.

Does my program fit into an Applied Technology Field? Because the scholarship program is nationwide, there are many programs that can fit into the Applied Technology category. As part of the review process, the Scholarship Committee will look up your program on the college's website to determine the type of degree and course content. Therefore, **ASM recommends that you apply for one of these scholarships**.

Do I need to be an ASM member? No, you do not. Once you have your degree and are working, we hope that this scholarship will inspire you to join your local ASM Chapter and become an active member.

Do I need to be in/close to a city with an ASM Chapter? No. This program is to aid students in obtaining a degree, regardless of their location.

How long will this application take? The entire process should take less than 15 minutes.

Do I need recommendations? Yes, one letter of recommendation is required.

I plan on transferring to a 4-year college to get a BS in Engineering. Can I apply for this scholarship? If you are enrolled in an Applied Technology program, have taken at least one introductory course, and will get an Associates' Degree before you transfer, then please apply for this scholarship. Otherwise, please consider applying for one of the scholarships listed at <http://www.asminternational.org/about/foundation/students>.