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NSA Scholarship Foundation Now Accepting Applications for 2016 Scholarships

ALEXANDRIA, VA, January 5, 2016 — The National Society of Accountants (NSA) Scholarship Foundation is accepting scholarship applications from promising accounting students across the country.

The Foundation awards scholarships to undergraduates who are U.S. or Canadian citizens majoring in accounting at an accredited two- or four-year college or university in the United States. Since its formation in 1969, the NSA Scholarship Foundation has awarded over \$1 million to dedicated students pursuing a career in the accounting profession.

"Accounting is a growing field and an outstanding career opportunity for students interested in this work," says NSA Scholarship Foundation Chair Sharon E. Cook, EA, ABA, ATA, ATP, ARA St. Louis, "We also see the rising cost of higher education and hope we can make it easier for some of these students to achieve their goals."

Applicants for awards are judged on the basis of scholastic achievement, demonstrated leadership ability, and financial need. They must have a "B" (3.0 on a 4.0 scale) or better grade point average.

Scholarships typically range from \$500 - \$2,500. In 2015, the Foundation awarded \$45,875 to 39 deserving candidates.

Scholarship applications are due March 31, 2016. To apply, review application guidelines and for additional information visit, http://www.nsacct.org/scholarships. For students nearing graduation or new to the accounting profession, the Accreditation

Council for Accountancy and Taxation (ACAT), which is affiliated with NSA, offers an Accredited Business Accountant® (ABA) credential. No experience is required to take the ACAT Comprehensive Examination that leads to the ABA credential. In addition to passing the exam, two years of college-level accounting and one year of accounting experience are required to earn the credential. Learn more at www.acatcredentials.org.

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The National Society of Accountants (NSA) Scholarship Foundation is a 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization formed in response to NSA member commitment to education and the accounting profession. Through its national scholarship program, the Foundation encourages the next generation of accountants by providing financial assistance to college students majoring in accounting. The Foundation also administers an Educational Grant Program which provides grant funding for the development or enhancement of educational programs, surveys, research and other education activities for those currently in the profession. The NSA Scholarship Foundation, a tax-exempt organization, relies on voluntary, tax-deductible contributions received from individuals, businesses and organizations to fund the activities necessary to sustain its programs.