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## **NSA Scholarship Foundation Now Accepting Applications for 2013 Scholarships**

ALEXANDRIA, VA, February 20, 2013 — The National Society of Accountants (NSA) Scholarship Foundation is accepting scholarship applications for its 2013-2014 program from promising accounting students across the country.

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

Applicants for awards are judged on the basis of scholastic achievement, demonstrated leadership, participation in school and community activities, honors, and work experience. They must have a "B" (3.0 on a 4.0 scale) or better grade point average.

Scholarships typically range from \$500 - \$2,000 and 30 or more scholarships are awarded each year.

Scholarship applications must be postmarked by March 10, 2013 and sent to Scholarship Management Services, a division of Scholarship America, which manages the application process. The scholarship application guidelines and additional information can be found online at <http://www.nsacct.org/about/nsa-scholarship-foundation>.

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](http://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.