

FELLOWS FUND for EQUITY GRANT APPLICATION

This Grant is intended for newly licensed architects in the State of Michigan who are residents of the State working in the profession of architecture in Michigan. Awardees will be members of underrepresented groups in the profession and will have student debt. The award in 2024 will be \$4,000. This grant is sponsored by the AIA Michigan Fellows with the goal of increasing diversity, equity and inclusion in the profession.

There are 10 parts to be completed. Please fill in the form where indicated and attach exhibits at the end of the application form.

1. PERSONAL DATA

Name _____
Last First Middle

Home Address _____
Number & Street City State Zip

Telephone _____ Email Address _____

Social Security Number (last 4 digits only) _____ Date of Birth ___/___/___

2. CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

Employer/type of business _____ Hire Date _____

Position/Duties _____ Salary \$ _____

3. LICENSURE INFORMATION

Date of First Licensure in Michigan ___/___/___

Attach a copy of current Michigan Architectural License.

4. FINANCIAL INFORMATION – The information in this section will be regarded as confidential and used only for the purpose of evaluation for the Award.

Current Amount of Student Debt: \$ _____

Student Debt Required Yearly Payments \$ _____

Attach form showing your outstanding student debt.

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5. QUALIFYING STATUS: Indicate below those categories to which you belong:

Gender

- Male
- Female
- Non-Binary

Racial/Ethnic Status

- African American
- Hispanic/Latino
- Native American/Pacific Islander
- Asian
- Other

Parent Educational Status

- Mother has associate degree or higher college degree.
- Mother has no college degree.
- Father has associate degree or higher college degree.
- Father has no college degree.

6. PERSONAL STATEMENT –Write a brief statement describing your interest, experience, and plans related to architecture using 150 words or less.

7. LEADERSHIP STATEMENT – Write a brief statement clearly demonstrating your involvement with leadership activities in your community, the local AIA or NOMA chapter, or in the design of the built environment using 150 words or less.

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8. EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES – Describe the activities in which you participate or have participated. Indicate elected offices held, including AIA, AIAS, NOMA or other student organizations while completing your education. Provide purpose of the organization. Other activities that you're involved in, community activities, athletics, hobbies and special talents using 150 words or less.

9. CERTIFICATION - I agree that the application and all attachments may be used for the purpose of evaluation and selection by the Michigan Architectural Foundation. I also state that all information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Date

10. REFERENCE LETTERS - Provide two (2) one-page reference letters from individuals familiar with your work. One must be from an AIA Michigan member.

Attachments

1. Two reference letters – At least one from an AIA Michigan member
2. Outstanding student debt form

DEADLINE

The award application and materials are due via email by September 15, 2024. Send completed applications and materials to: Elisabeth Knibbe, FAIA at eknibbe@knibbe.com.