



SAPA Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program

PURPOSE

The SAPA Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program was established by the Sino-American Pharmaceutical Professionals Association (SAPA) in 1999. Over the past years, SAPA has become a major pharmaceutical professional organization with 4000 members and 3 chapters in the Northeast and West Coast.

The SAPA Scholarship and Excellence in Education for Life Sciences Foundation is a national non-profit [501(C)(3)] organization dedicated to recognize and support excellence on outstanding high school students, and to encourage the finest high school graduates to develop career in Life Sciences.

The Foundation is supported by the Sino-American Pharmaceutical Professionals Association Scholarship and Excellence in Education for Life Sciences Fund. Funding for awards and administrative expenses is derived from investment on the Trust Fund.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

The Foundation will award undergraduate scholarships to outstanding students, known as **SAPA Scholars**, in July for use during their freshman year. The awards will be made on the basis of merit to those who have outstanding potential and intend to pursue careers in life sciences.

Each scholarship awards a one-time fund of minimal \$1000 towards tuition payment. The scholarship is merit-based and open to national competition. The Trustees intend to award two or more SAPA Scholarships each year.

Nominees for SAPA Scholarships must include in their application materials a statement of interest in pursuing a career related to life sciences. Examples of the educational plans are listed below:

Undergraduate Major	Career Objective Examples
Applied Science	Medical research
Biochemistry/Microbiology	Clinical research in infectious diseases
Biology	Agriculture/environmental science Genetic engineering Immunology Molecular Biology
Biology/Chemistry	Biomedical technology
Botany	Research in plant physiology
Chemical Engineering	Research in chemical kinetics/CMC
Chemistry	Research in Medicinal chemistry Bio-/medical-analytical chemistry Pharmaceutical science/formulation Environmental chemistry Nutritional chemistry Environmental chemistry Biotechnology/biochemistry
Computer Science	Computer modeling/Drug design
Entomology	Research in ecology or entomology
Environmental Engineering	Research in hazardous waste treatment
Environmental Science	Conservation ecology
Mathematics	Bioinformatics or clinical statistics
Mechanical Engineering	Development of micro and nano-technologies
Microbiology	Microbial genetics
Molecular Genetics	Antiviral chemotherapy
Pharmacy/Pharmacology	Pharmacy/Pharmacology
Physics/Physiology	Pharmacokinetics/Drug metabolism
Zoology	Zoologist/Organism physiology

ELIGIBILITY

To be considered for nomination as a SAPA Scholar, a student must:

- Be a high school senior who is planning to attend a full-time undergraduate program at an accredited four-year college/university with a major related to life sciences.
- Have a GPA above 3.3, a minimum SAT score of 2000 and be in the top ten percent of the class.
- Be a United States citizen, or a legal resident alien (please submit a photocopy of the Alien Registration Card).

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Required application material:

1. An essay by the student describing why you want to pursue a life science related career (approximately 600 words).
2. Two letters of recommendation from teachers who can discuss the nominee's potential for a career in life science related area (including a teacher in the applicant's field of study and another who can attest the nominee's potential).
3. List of all awards received.
4. List of Advanced Placement or Honors courses with grades.
5. Transcripts.

Please send ALL the application materials, including two SEALED recommendation letters, in ONE package to SAPA. Please do NOT send letters separately.

Mail to: SAPA Scholarship Office
P.O. Box 282
Nanuet, NY 10954

Application Deadline: April 30, every year (postmark).

SELECTION PROCESS AND TIMELINE

Selection Process: An independent review committee appointed by the Foundation will evaluate all valid applications and recommend the most outstanding nominees for consideration by the Foundation Board of Trustees. Applicants who demonstrated great potential for and commitment to a career in life sciences and with outstanding academic performance will be selected as finalists. The Board of Trustees will name at least two SAPA scholars from the finalists. To receive payments, a SAPA Scholar must submit an acceptance letter of the scholarship, and provide a direct deposit account at the attending college or university to deposit scholarship payments. The payment will be made in September to the college or university ONLY.

ONLY THE WINNERS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY EMAIL. SAPA Scholars receive their awards in presentation ceremonies at the Annual Meeting of Sino-American Pharmaceutical Professional Association.

IMPORTANT DATES:

April 30	Application deadline (postmark).
May-June	Scholarship Committee meets to review and recommend finalists to the Foundation Board of Trustees.
July	SAPA Scholars are selected by the Board of SAPA Scholarship and Excellence in Education for Life Science Foundation.
August	SAPA Scholars will be announced and award plaques presented at the Annual Meeting of the Sino-American Pharmaceutical Professionals Association
September	Scholarship payments deposited directly to the attending college or university

For more information, visit our SAPA website: <http://www.sapaweb.org>

Or contact us through email: sapa_scholarship@yahoo.com

Privacy Policy: SAPA does not collect, store and share any information about applicants and website visitors. SAPA does not send emails and/or solicitations of any sort. All applicants will not receive further communication or be included in any distribution lists. Only the finalists and the winners will be contacted by email or mail.

APPLICATION FORM

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

Last Name _____
First Name _____ M. I. _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip code _____
Telephone _____
E-mail _____

Current Status:

Name of High School _____
Address _____
City _____
County _____ State _____ Zip code _____
Rank in Class _____ Size of Class _____ GPA _____
Graduation Year _____
School Register/Record Telephone _____

SAT Scores:

Verbal _____ Math _____ Writing _____ Total _____

Attending University/College in the Fall (if available): _____

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

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