



ATLANTA CHAPTER

2007 GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

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Dear Graduate student,

The Atlanta chapter of National Association of African Americans in Human Resources welcomes your interest in the 2007-2008 Graduate Scholarship Program. The availability of prizes in the graduate division provides you an excellent occasion of receipt of an award along with the recognition of academic achievement.

To qualify, Graduate students must be enrolled in a Human Resources or Public Administration/or related program (Organizational Developmental/Behavior or Business Management). Students must complete and submit the 2007 Graduate Scholarship Program Packet which includes a personal statement, an analytical thesis on a pre-selected topic, 3 reference letters, résumé, and official transcripts. Please view the attached 2007-2008 Scholarship Program-Rules, Regulations and Criteria for eligibility and further details.

All applications must be postmarked no later than Friday, October 5, 2007. Winners will be notified in writing by Friday, October 26, 2007. The scholarship award will be presented at our 14th annual scholarship event to be held this November. Winners must be in attendance of the scholarship gala. The scholarship check will be disbursed directly to the winner(s) upon verification of enrollment status. Checks will be disbursed directly from the Atlanta chapter of the National Association of African Americans in Human Resources.

The topic for this year’s analytical thesis is: Diversity Business Integration – Practical Strategies for Strengthening an Organization’s Bottom-Line

We invite you to take advantage of this great scholarship opportunity. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 678.949.3274 or send emails to naaahr-atlanta@comcast.net.

Sincerely

Regina Anderson

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Scholarship Program Intake Coordinator
National Association of African Americans in Human Resources
Atlanta Chapter



2007 Scholarship Program Rules, Regulations and Criteria

1. The Atlanta chapter of NAAHR Scholarship Program is divided into 2 level of competition: Undergraduate and Graduate studies
2. Student must be enrolled and attending classes during the winter (January) semester/term of 2008 at an accredited college or university in the Atlanta, Georgia metropolitan area and pursuing a degree in Human Resources/Public Administration or related fields.
3. Must self-identify as African American/Black.
4. Scholarship Graduate applicants must have a minimum of 3.5 CGPA average on a 4.0 scale and Scholarship Undergraduate applicants must have a minimum 3.0 CGPA average on a 4.0 scale.
5. Submission of scholarship packet includes submission of analytical thesis paper for graduate studies, submission of research paper for undergraduate students, submission of 5 additional copies, completed entry form, personal statement, résumés, official transcripts and 3 reference letters.
6. Analytical projects and research papers must use the pre-selected topics provided by NAAHR. Submission of a project determined not to meet the stated criteria and qualifications will not be evaluated.
7. All analytical/research papers shall be in the original, unpublished work of an individual student, but may have also been prepared as a course assignment.
8. Papers and photographs become the property of the Atlanta Chapter of NAAHR and may be published on the chapter's website and other organization media outlet and usage.
9. Scholarship candidates grant NAAHR-Atlanta chapter the right of first publication of the paper and are in agreement to hold NAAHR and its members harmless from and to indemnify them for, any and all damages and costs relating to copyright infringement or plagiarism.
10. Analytical projects and research papers should be typed, double spaced on 8 ½ x 11 inch white paper, using standard font (Times New Roman or Ariel) and no more than 5 pages (undergrad research paper) and 10 pages (graduate analytical project)) in length. Formatting of paper must be current edition of APA or MLA formatting style
11. Papers will be evaluated considering: writing quality and clarity (15%); the interest of the topic and content to a broad segment of the judiciary; analysis and reasoning (25%); timeliness (10%), originality and quality and the use of research (25%); use of APA formatting, grammar and spelling (15%), compliance with these rules (10%).
12. Papers will be evaluated by a panel of three qualified judges. The panel will consist of a member of the Academic Community, member of the Human Resources Professional Community and a member of the executive board of the Atlanta chapter of NAAHR. Prizes awarded at the sole discretion of a panel of the Atlanta chapter NAAHR's choosing.
13. Winners will be publicly recognized at the 2007 NAAHR Scholarship Gala and in various local media publications. A percentage of the scholarship award will be used to fund the cost of student membership into the Atlanta chapter of NAAHR for one membership year beginning January 2008. Winners are expected to actively participate in the organization's programs during the year's membership.
14. **Entries must be postmarked no later than Friday, October 5, 2007**, and sent to: Attention Regina Anderson Atlanta chapter-NAAHR 2007 Scholarship Program, P.O. Box 3994, Atlanta, Georgia, 30302-3994.
15. Prize monies are contributed by the Atlanta chapter of the National Association of African Americans in Human Resources and its corporate sponsors



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2007 Graduate Scholarship Program Entry Form

Name:

SSN:

Ethnicity :

Address

City, State and

Zip Code:

Phone Number :

Email Address:

College/University

Major/Course of
Study

On
Campus/Distance
Learning

City, State, Address

Phone Number:

CGPA:

*Cumulative grade point
average-attach official transcript*

**Analytical Thesis – Diversity Business Integration – Practical Strategies for
Strengthening an Organization’s Bottom-Line**

Please prepare an analytical thesis that addresses the topic above.

Analytical Thesis should be no more than 10 pages, typed, double-spaced format

Students are encouraged to use:

1. Newspaper, magazine and journal articles, websites and books as references.
2. A generally accepted writing style – American Psychological Association (APA), Modern Language Association (MLA), endnotes, and/or footnotes.



Acknowledgement Form

I, _____, acknowledge I have received, read and understand the 2007 Graduate Scholarship Program Rules, Regulations and Criteria. I attest the graduate analytical thesis submitted is an original work authored by myself as partial requirement for consideration of the NAAHR Scholarship Program.

I am aware scholarship recipients must attend the Atlanta chapter 14th Annual Scholarship Gala to be held at the Fernbank Museum, Thursday, November 15, 2007. Scholarship recipients will be provided 2 complimentary tickets. Additional tickets are available at cost.

Thirty dollars (\$30.00) of the 2007 scholarship program award will be used to fund the student membership fee for the Atlanta chapter of NAAHR for one membership year beginning January 2008. Scholarship recipients are expected to actively participate in NAAHR events, programs and initiatives.

Papers, photos and personal statements of award recipients may be used for public relations activities of NAAHR. Award recipients may be required to make public appearances and speeches on behalf of the organization.

I acknowledge the receipt of financial award will be disbursed after verification of enrollment in the 2008 winter term/semester in an undergraduate HR program or related program.

I attest that the documents submitted are accurate to the best of my knowledge. I give NAAHR permission to verify any information included in this packet.

Student Name

Date

Signature:

Date



2007 Graduate Scholarship Application Packet Checklist

- Completed Entry Form -- Form included
- Personal Statement – For the consideration of this program, a Personal Statement is a one page submission that provides information to the judging panel of your goals and career objectives. In addition, this statement can provide additional information concerning civic and volunteerism involvement
- Resume – A current resume is requested.
- 3 Reference Letters – Scholarship Program ask for applicants to submit 3 letters of reference/recommendation from mentors, professors, or community leaders.
- Official Copy of Transcript (s)
- Analytical Thesis- Your analytical thesis should identify the problem, state the major assumptions, explain the significance of the undertaking, set forth the sources for and methods of gathering information, analyze the data, and offer a conclusion or recommendation. The finished product should evidence originality, critical and independent thinking, appropriate organization and format and thorough documentation.
- Signed Acknowledgement Form
- Postmarked on or before Friday, October 5, 2007

Incomplete application packages will not be reviewed.
Be sure to include all required documentation.

Application packets should be submitted to:

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Atlanta, Georgia 30302-3994
Attention: Regina Anderson, Scholarship Intake Coordinator