

Real Estate Finance Forum

Women in Real Estate Scholarship

The Real Estate Finance Forum Scholarship fund was created in 2006 to encourage the rise of young women who have chosen to pursue an education in real estate for the purpose of building a career in a real estate related field. Each year one \$2,000 scholarship will be awarded to a junior, senior, or graduate student concentrating in the real estate area.

Qualified applicants are women who will have at least a junior standing at the time of scholarship funding at an accredited four-year Illinois college that offers real estate as major or a concentration within a major. The merit-based award will evaluate candidates based on academic excellence, community service, and commitment to real estate. Applicant must submit transcripts, a REFF application, a written essay, and a letter of recommendation. The essay should discuss the applicant's career goals and reasons for pursuing real estate.

An award may be used toward the payment of tuition, fees, and books, but may not be applied to such incidental expenses as travel and lodging. Disbursement will be made directly to the university. In addition to receiving the award, the students will become honorary REFF members for the year of their award and will be able to take advantage of social and networking opportunities.

Applications are available starting on November 16th, with a January 25th submission deadline. The award decision and disbursement will be made by February 19, 2010.

You may download the application from REFF's website at www.reffchicago.com
Please submit the completed application, reference letter and transcripts to the address below:

Real Estate Finance Forum
Attn: Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box A3289
Chicago, IL 60690-3289

The Real Estate Finance Forum is a Chicago based women's business group that was founded in 1987 by a group of professional women looking for networking opportunities with other women in the real estate finance industry. The mission of REFF is to further the professional development of women in all phases of commercial real estate finance; to promote avenues of communication among professional women inter- and intra-industry; and to encourage the recognition and advancement of professional women in the field of commercial real estate finance.