MARVIN A. ANDREW SCHOLARSHIP/INTERNSHIP

ACMA has developed the following awards and scholarships to ensure that members are recognized for outstanding service and have the opportunity to challenge themselves by participating in an international professional development program. The ACMA Board and membership is also very active in recruiting students in the field of local government management. This commitment is reflected in some of the scholarships ACMA offers.

The Andrews Scholarship was initiated in 1990 in honor of the dedicated years of service by Marvin Andrews, former City Manager of Phoenix, to local government in Arizona. The Andrews Scholarship is sponsored by ACMA and is designed to honor and financially assist Arizona students in public administration, public policy or undergrad students working toward their Master of Public Administration degree who aspire to a career in local government management. A scholarship is awarded to a full-time student attending either Arizona State University, Northern Arizona University, University of Arizona or Grand Canyon University who has exhibited strong academic achievement.

In addition to the monetary award, the Andrews Scholarship recipient will be given the opportunity for a paid internship stipend of $6,000 with a participating Arizona city, town, or county. The purpose of the internship is to provide the scholarship recipient with professional experience and training in an Arizona city or town with a population of less than 50,000 or a county with a population of less than 200,000. This paid summer internship is provided through ACMA Scholarship funds and matching funds from the city, town, or county providing the internship. Details for host applicants can be found here. The Andrews Scholarship recipient will also be awarded a complimentary year of ACMA Student Membership.

Scholarship Criteria

Who may apply?

Master of Public Administration and Masters of Public Policy Students as well as undergraduates in political science, planning, sustainability programs and the universities' honors colleges at Arizona State University, Northern Arizona University, the University of Arizona, and Grand Canyon University are eligible to apply for the ACMA scholarships. Master students must be enrolled in a graduate program or have completed their first semester. Undergraduate students must have completed at least 72 hours by December. Those completing the fall semester in time to graduate are also eligible.

Students not selected as the recipient will have the opportunity to interview with hosts that are not selected by the scholarship recipient. If this opportunity is available, students that applied and interviewed for the internship will be notified in March.

How are the scholarships to be used?
The scholarships are intended to assist promising undergraduate/graduate students or recent graduates with funding to continue their studies or job search.

**What qualities does an ACMA Scholarship recipient possess?**

ACMA scholarship recipients demonstrate a strong commitment to pursuing a career in public administration at the local level in Arizona, a willingness to accept the challenges of a vigorous academic program, and a desire to succeed in their professional and/or personal endeavors.

**Internship**

The selected Andrews Scholarship recipient will have the opportunity to interview prospective cities, towns and counties that have submitted an application to host the Andrews intern. The recipient must be able to accept a paid summer internship in 2021. Depending on the location, the recipient must be able to travel.

**Application Details and Deadline:**

Applications for the 2024 ACMA Marvin A. Andrews Scholarship/Internship will open in September 2023!