

# 2022 ACE DC Scholarship

## Application Student Guide

### Deadline is March 20th at 11pm!

Please note: this is NOT the application!

To apply, go to [www.acewashingtondc.org/scholarships](http://www.acewashingtondc.org/scholarships)



The ACE DC application is LIVE! All Seniors active in ACE, who plan to pursue an A/C/E related major or career, are encouraged to apply. Last year, we awarded 15 \$4,000 scholarships!

We've created this guide to let you preview what the application entails. All applications must meet a minimum score to be evaluated, which is compiled from information submitted in the application packet, anticipated major, as well as judges' scores of essays. *Use this guide to help submit a great application!* Please take the time to thoughtfully complete your application packets...especially the essays, which are very important to the judges.

**THIS IS NOT THE APPLICATION!** The application can be accessed in the database. Visit [www.acewashingtondc.org/scholarships](http://www.acewashingtondc.org/scholarships) for more details and links to apply!

### Getting Started...

**First, You'll be asked to answer some background questions:**

**Personal details:** (Name, DOB, Ethnicity & Gender)

**School Information** (school address, Principal, guidance counselor)

**Education Information:** (GPA, SAT and/or ACT, **intended major**, college or vocational programs to which you've applied. If you don't have an SAT or ACT score, you will be given space to provide more information.)

**ACE Information:** (Lead Mentor's name, number of years in ACE)



**You'll be asked about activities or clubs you've participated in during High School. List them here - and remember to note what you've done in the clubs, or if you were an officer, etc.**

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**We also want to know about any Awards and Honors you've received during high school- even little honors and recognition count! Jot them down below:**

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### Final Checklist:

Are you **ACTIVE** in the ACE

Database with a parent consent on file?

Do you plan to pursue an A/C/E related major or career? Visit

[www.acewashingtondc.org/scholarships](http://www.acewashingtondc.org/scholarships) for more info. Still not sure if you're eligible? Email us at [washingtondc@acementor.org](mailto:washingtondc@acementor.org)!

Have you asked your ACE Mentor for a letter of recommendation at least **ONE WEEK** before the deadline?

Do you have **TWO** letters of recommendation to upload? One Letter **MUST** be from an ACE Mentor (your application will not be considered without these!)

Do you have your official transcripts to upload? You can upload an unofficial copy but must provide official transcripts within 7 days.

Reminder: Winners will be asked to join our Breakfast Event in the spring (more details to follow!)

# The Essays...



The ACE DC application has 3 short essays (plus one extra if your intended major is not ACE related). Please use this space to brainstorm your answers! Each essay must be a minimum of 200 words -- jot your thoughts below! Remember, this is not the application! **You will enter your completed essays into the application online!**

Describe the impact the design and construction industries have on our society. Why are these professions so important?

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Which segment of the industry (architecture, engineering, construction, or related field) do you wish to enter and why? Were you planning a career in this field before starting the ACE program or did ACE help steer you in that direction? If so, how/why? Also, please tell us your top three choices for your future education (what schools)

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Describe your experience with your ACE mentors. How will this experience help you as you transition from high school? What effect did this experience have on your college choice, or choice of study? What was the most valuable lesson you learned from your time with the ACE Mentor program?

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If your intended major is NOT AN A/C/E related major, you MUST answer an extra essay question. Tell us how ACE has impacted your major/career choice, how your chosen major fits in the building and design industry, and how you plan to use this major to pursue an ACE related career. We know there are many paths to the A/C/E industry, so tell us about your plan!

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## Tips for Essays

Try to keep them well organized...a good essay will have a topic sentence, supporting details, and a conclusion!

While the minimum word count is 200, stronger essays usually go over the minimum word count.

The Committee loves personal stories and experiences. Let us know why you loved ACE, or what you learned from your mentors and the program.

Remember...spelling and grammar matter. While it's not a graded essay, the committee wants to see that you put some time and effort into the application!

For the committee to consider your application, you must meet the minimum score...and essays are the biggest part of that score!

If you win, we will use your essays to help highlight the