

Colorado Government Finance Officers Association

THE GEORGE A. NIELSEN PUBLIC INVESTOR SCHOLARSHIP

Award: The Public Investor Scholarship will be awarded to an employee of a local government or other public entity who is enrolled or plans to enroll in a graduate or undergraduate program in public administration, finance, business administration or a related field.

Amount: \$2,500 (May be awarded as two \$1,250 scholarships)

Closing Date for Applications: August 15, 20xx

Award Announcement: September 15, 20xx

Eligibility Requirements:

- Member in good standing of CGFOA.
- Employed at least one year by a local government or other public entity.
- Recommendation by your employer.
- Enrollment in a graduate or undergraduate program in public finance, finance, or business administration before funds are awarded.
- Citizen or permanent resident of the United States.

Criteria for Scholarship Award:

- Plans to pursue a career in state or local government.
- Past work experience in the public sector
- Present plan of study as it relates to a career in the public sector.
- Letter of recommendation from your employer.

Application: Applicants must submit the following documents for consideration by the scholarship selection committee.

- Application Form
- Statement of proposed plan of study and state or local government career.
- Resume.
- Employer's letter of recommendation.
- Other letters of recommendation (optional).

All of the above items are to be submitted in a single envelope, postmarked no later than August 15, 20xx.

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The Colorado Government Finance Officers Association's Scholarship Committee will review all applications and make a final selection of the award. The winner will be notified in writing on or before September 15, 20xx. For additional information, call Kathy Velzen at the Colorado Government Finance Officers Association (303-922-4647).

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Form to be completed by applicant

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Country of Citizenship or Permanent Residence: _____

Employer: _____

Employer Telephone #: _____ Date Employment: _____

Undergraduate School _____

School's Location _____

Major/Minor _____

Anticipated Date of Graduation _____

Graduate School _____

School's Location _____

Degree Sought _____

Anticipated Date of Graduation _____

Undergraduate Grade Point Average: _____

Graduate Grade Point Average: _____

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Course of study data to be completed by applicant

List all of the accounting and government finance course you have completed since you began your current program. For each course, record the grade you received, including the plus (+) or minus (-) grades.

<i>Course Title</i>	<i>Grade</i>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

(Use a separate sheet of paper if necessary)

List all the courses you plan to take to complete your course of study.

(Use a separate sheet of paper if necessary)

List any major papers, thesis or internships you have completed or are working on that relate to your graduate program or state and local government career choice. Special emphasis should be placed on items that demonstrate an interest in the investment of public funds.

(Use a separate sheet of paper if necessary)

Attach a statement (not to exceed two pages typed, double spaced) describing your proposed plan of study and your state or local government finance career plans. Be specific about the type of government career you plan to pursue and why you chose it. Also, describe any work experience, including internships and volunteer work on projects, relative to your plan of study or state or local career choice.