



### **Minnesota High Tech Foundation (MHTF) Scholarship Application**

The Minnesota High Tech Foundation (MHTF) will award \$2,000 scholarships to undergraduate students in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) disciplines. The purpose of the scholarship program is to strengthen Minnesota's future technology workforce by providing financial support to undergraduate students of accredited, Minnesota-based higher education institutions pursuing careers in STEM or STEM teaching.

Awards will be presented on October 30, 2008, during the Minnesota Tekne Awards, honoring companies, innovations and individuals that positively impact Minnesota's technology-based economy.

Applications will be reviewed by members of the MHTF Board of Directors. The MHTF Board of Directors represents Minnesota companies and higher education institutions committed to the development of a more well-educated workforce for Minnesota's technology industry. The MHTF Board of Directors supports diversity in the application and award process.

Applications for the MHTF scholarship program must be postmarked, emailed or faxed by August 1, 2008, for consideration. Applicants will be notified of award status by October 1, 2008. Recipients of the MHTF scholarship must attend the Minnesota Tekne Awards.

For questions on completing the application, please contact Taylor Pettis at 952.230.4560 or [tpettis@mhta.org](mailto:tpettis@mhta.org).

#### **Eligibility Requirements:**

- Must be pursuing an undergraduate degree in a STEM field or in STEM teaching.
- Only students with sophomore through senior (2008-2009 school year) status from an accredited, Minnesota-based higher education institution may apply. Sophomore status may include students who have achieved this status via advanced placement (AP) credit or post secondary options (PSEO).
- Preference will be given to students with verifiable unmet need of at least \$2,000

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Application must be postmarked, emailed or faxed by August 1, 2008.  
Send completed application to:

Minnesota High Technology Foundation  
Taylor Pettis  
300 South Highway 169, Suite 400  
Minneapolis, MN 55426  
**Email:** [tpettis@mhta.org](mailto:tpettis@mhta.org) **Fax:** 952.230.4560

Please direct questions in email format to [tpettis@mhta.org](mailto:tpettis@mhta.org). Incomplete applications cannot be accepted. Please review your application for errors and exclusions before submitting.

**Applicant Data**

2008 – 2009 Staus (please circle one):      SO      JR      SR  
*Sophomore status may include students who have achieved this status via AP credit or PSEO.*

University of Minnesota

Minnesota State Colleges & Universities

Minnesota Private Colleges

Campus/University/College Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Current GPA in Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Current overall GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/St: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender (please circle one):    M\_\_F\_\_

Academic Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you received any grants or scholarships for the current academic year? YES NO  
(please circle one)

If yes to the previous question, list the grant/scholarship sources and their dollar amount:

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**Essay Questions** (Please complete all questions. Write 100 words or less per response)

1. Summarize your academic accomplishments in your major program of study. This should focus on coursework or special projects.
2. Summarize accomplishments in research, community service, teaching or work that relates to your interest in STEM.
3. How are you paying for college and how will the scholarship enhance your collegiate experience?
4. Explain your future academic or career goals after completing your undergraduate degree.
5. How will your career path benefit Minnesota?

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**Letter(s) of Recommendation**

Two letters of recommendation are required and must be postmarked, emailed or faxed by the application deadline of August 1, 2008. At least one of these letters should be from a current professor or academic advisor in the major program of study. Letters of recommendation must include the contact information of the writer. **Letters of recommendation shall be submitted directly from the student's reference separately from the application.**

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**Resume:**

Please submit a resume outlining your academic, work, research/or community service involvement.

**Proof of Unmet Need:**

Please provide a copy of your "Financial Aid Award Letter" (please provide the entire letter received from the Financial Aid Office). Preference will be given to students with verifiable loans or unmet need of at least \$2,000

**Terms of Agreement**

I agree to provide additional information if it will assist the organization in evaluating my application. I understand that if chosen, I must attend the Minnesota Tekne Awards on October 30, 2008. I understand that if I am named a recipient of the scholarship award, my name will be used in various publications to promote the Tekne Awards and the MHTF scholarship program.

**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_