William B. Brandt Memorial Scholarship

SCHOLARSHIP FEATURES

Up to ten $2,000 scholarships are given annually to students attending one of Nebraska’s state or privately funded colleges listed. Each scholarship will be awarded to the recipient in two semesters. To continue the scholarship during the second semester, the student must maintain a 3.0 GPA. Payments will be made directly to the recipient’s educational institution. Financial need is not a requirement for this scholarship.

ELIGIBILITY

Who’s eligible?
- Legal residents of Nebraska. Candidates will be asked to submit residency validation.
- Full-time students pursuing a bachelor’s degree in business with an emphasis in finance, accounting, economics, marketing or another banking-related major at one of the Nebraska state or privately funded colleges or universities (not the University of Nebraska).
- Students who have achieved a junior- or senior-level status by the following fall academic year with a minimum GPA of 3.0.
- Students attending one of the following universities:
  - Bellevue University
  - Chadron State College
  - College of St. Mary
  - Concordia University
  - Creighton University
  - Doane College
  - Hastings College
  - Midland University
  - Nebraska Wesleyan University
  - Peru State College
  - Union College
  - Wayne State College
  - York College

NOTE: NBA-member bank employees and their family members are eligible for this scholarship; NBA, NBISCO, and KBA/NBA Schools of Banking employees and their family members are not eligible. A minimum of one scholarship will be designated for an ethnic or racial minority applicant.

APPLICATION

2. Include the application form, essay, a copy of a government issued identification and a letter of recommendation from a bank officer who works at an NBA-member financial institution. NBA staff will provide assistance upon request for introductions to an NBA member banker.
4. Scholarship recipients will be announced by March 15 (all applicants will be notified).

About William B. “Bill” Brandt

William B. “Bill” Brandt served as a long-time general counsel and lobbyist for the Nebraska Bankers Association. Brandt’s amazing 25-year tenure with the NBA began in 1965, following two terms of service in the Nebraska Legislature. During that time, he also served as vice president and counsel for the First National Bank of Unadilla. His efforts throughout the years brought many successes for the Nebraska banking industry. He was the principal sponsor on behalf of the banking industry for a bill to adopt the Uniform Commercial Code in the 1960s. In addition, he was one of the driving forces behind the formation of NetWorks, a company that oversaw the statewide electronic funds transfer system and computerized switching operation for ATMs and point-of-sale terminals. Through the establishment of the William B. Brandt Memorial Scholarship Fund, Brandt’s service to the banking industry, his community, and the state of Nebraska will not be forgotten.

The Nebraska Bankers Educational Foundation (NBEF) is a non-profit organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes. One of its primary goals is to award scholarships to college and university students majoring in programs related to banking and to employees of federally insured depository institutions. NBEF may from time to time raise, solicit, and receive funds in the form of charitable contributions and donations to be used to promote the purposes for which this corporation was formed. NBEF intends for its scholarships to be used both as recruitment and retention incentives for students pursuing banking careers. Through these scholarships, NBEF hopes to strengthen the banking industry in Nebraska.