2021-22 Michigan ASLA Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Scholarship

**Description:** The MIASLA DEI scholarship was created to support students from historically underrepresented demographics in their pursuit of an undergraduate or master’s degree in landscape architecture. Our aim is to aid in the development of a more diverse and inclusive generation of future leaders in the profession of landscape architecture, that is more representative of our communities.

The intent of the scholarship is to provide financial support in furthering the student’s educational and professional development, while removing barriers to entry into the field of landscape architecture.

The MIASLA DEI Scholarship is a one-time award of **$2500**, and is intended to offset the student’s tuition at their current accredited landscape architecture program. There will be **two scholarships** awarded for the 2021-2022 school year.

**Deadline for Applications:** Friday April 23, 2021 at 5 pm.

**Questions:** Please contact member@michiganasla.org

**Eligibility:** Candidates shall:

- Be Black/African American, Hispanic, Alaskan Native, American Indian, Asian American, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander.
- Be a current undergraduate or graduate student in an accredited landscape architecture program in Michigan.
- Have attended a high school in the State of Michigan and have graduated from a Michigan High School. Submit HS transcript or a copy of your diploma.
- Be an enrolled student when scholarship award is applied to tuition in fall 2021.
- Have a current GPA of 3.0 or better.

Candidates are expected to be student ASLA members. Awardees are expected to be active members of the Michigan ASLA DEI Committee for the full calendar year that the scholarship is awarded. Awardees shall make a brief presentation during the year of award, at the Michigan ASLA annual meeting or write an article for MI SITES, explaining how this scholarship has impacted their perspective on Landscape Architecture and how it has helped further their career.
Application Requirements: To apply for the MIASLA DEI Scholarship, candidates are requested to submit the following in advance of the submission deadline:

- Resume’ and cover letter
- College transcripts or a letter from the Academic Advisor stating your current GPA and that you are in good academic standing.
- Essay that answers the following: “How will your educational and career goals contribute to the future advancement of Social Justice, Equity and Inclusion” (1000 words max)
- Work sample of a relevant project, and preferably one that demonstrates your leadership abilities and creativity in the area of DEI.
- Two references. At least one reference shall include a college professor from the Landscape Architecture program that the student is enrolled in.

Submission Link: To submit for scholarship, email member@michiganasl.org in order to request a link to upload the submission materials outlined above. Applicants are encouraged to request a link prior to 5:00 pm on Thursday, April 22.

Deadline: All materials shall be submitted no later than 5:00 pm on Friday, April 23, 2021.