Apply Now to Take Advantage of our Scholarship and Award Programs

The PMI Educational Foundation (PMIEF) is pleased to invite individuals to apply for its scholarship and award programs. PMIEF administers an array of scholarships and awards for college/university students and project management practitioners. Thanks to the support and contributions of several PMI communities and donors, these programs support both students enrolled in degree studies and professionals engaged in continuing education as well as recognize outstanding contributions to the field. In addition to the information below, detailed eligibility requirements and application details may be found at pmief.org/scholarships-grants-and-awards/scholarships.

Academic Scholarships
High school seniors who plan to pursue college/university studies in project management or a related field, as well as individuals currently enrolled in these kinds of bachelor, master and doctoral degree programs, may apply for various academic scholarships. While the PMIEF website specifies the eligibility requirements for each, all students may apply for the following academic scholarships:

- Dr. Harold Kerzner Scholarships
- PMI Eric Jenett Founders Scholarship
- PMIEF Academic Scholarship Program of the University of Management and Technology
- Robert J. Yourzak Scholarship Award

The deadline to apply for all academic scholarships is 1 May 2015. Visit pmief.org/scholarships-grants-and-awards/scholarships for more information.

Professional Development Scholarships
Project management practitioners who wish to enhance their abilities may apply for a professional development scholarship. The PMIEF website specifies the application criteria and deadlines for these scholarships, which include:

- Eric Jenett Professional Development Scholarship Fund: The PMI Houston Chapter and friends of Eric Jenett donate this scholarship, which honors a champion of project management education and the project management profession. It provides a maximum of US$1,250 each year either wholly or in part to either one or more individuals. Practitioners who seek to either obtain or maintain a PMI certification receive preference.

- Jerry King Memorial Scholarship for Project Management Excellence: Friends of Jerry King donate this scholarship, which honors the former leader of the PMI San Diego Chapter. It provides US$1,000, with preference given to PMI chapter members, active volunteers or family members of either a member or volunteer in PMI Region 7 (California, Hawaii, New Mexico, Nevada and Arizona).

- Kenneth Hartley Project Leadership Development Scholarship: Kenneth O. Hartley, PMP, PMI Fellow, and friends donate this scholarship, which provides a maximum of US $1,250 each year either wholly or in part to either one or more individuals.

- The Kerzner Award
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Dr. Kerzner is Senior Executive Director at IIL. In addition to his distinguished academic, training and consulting contributions to project management, he is a globally recognized expert and bestselling author on project, program and portfolio management, total quality management and strategic planning.

Members of the PMI Washington, DC Chapter receive special consideration.

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The PMI Sinaloa, Mexico Chapter, in partnership with a local group of Scouts from 7–15 years old, organized a five-week program with the goal of teaching children the basics to develop projects and teamwork. The program consisted of building slider carts.

The first step was to conduct a workshop for the Initiating and Planning processes. These included: designing the slider cart, selecting the materials needed, identifying the risks and setting a calendar of activities for building, testing, painting, etc. The workshop was led by Paul Herrera and Jairo Narez, PMI Sinaloa, Mexico Chapter volunteers.

The second step was the construction of the carts. Scouts brought the materials called for and, with the help of their leaders, they built the carts. Later, Francisco Herrera, PMP, directed testing sessions where adjustments to the prototypes were made, and the painting and detailing session where Scouts personalized their carts in accordance with their troops’ insignia.

Finally came the day of the race. The Scouts were divided into two teams and raced against the clock. Supported by their leaders, they had to develop strategies for improving their times. The team consisted of a driver and the rest of the team that pulled the slider cart. Each member got to be a driver at least once.

This was a great session where the educational objectives of understanding the stages of the project and the importance of teamwork were met. In the end, as indicated by best practices, Scouts celebrated for the good work done during five weeks.

The recipient of the Kerzner Award exemplifies superior performance as well as outstanding project management methods and skills. Furthermore, the individual provides important contributions in a business, industry, government, community or nonprofit environment.

The recipient of the Kerzner Award will receive:

- IL training valued at US$5,000;
- A cash prize of US$2,500; and
- An expenses-paid trip to the 2015 PMI® Global Congress—North America, where he or she will be recognized.