The P.O. Pistilli Scholarship
for Advancement in Computer Science and Electrical Engineering

The P.O. Pistilli Scholarship is funded by the Design Automation Conference. It is directed by the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) Special Interest Group on Design Automation (SIGDA). The objective of the scholarship is to increase the pool of professionals in Electrical Engineering, Computer Engineering and Computer Science from underrepresented groups.

Initial Criteria for Applicants

In order to apply for the P.O. Pistilli Scholarship you must:

Be a high school senior from an underrepresented group (African-American, Hispanic, Native American, female, or disabled).

1. Have a 3.00 G.P.A or better (on a 4.00 scale).
2. Demonstrate high interest and achievement in math and science courses. This is usually demonstrated by participation in academic and non-academic math/science activities, letters of recommendations from teachers in math/science or related subjects, and good grades in math/science.
3. Express a strong desire to pursue a career in Electrical Engineering, Computer Engineering or Computer Science.
4. Demonstrate financial need.
5. Demonstrate involvement in activities associated with the underrepresented group which you represent.
6. Be a resident of the United States. U.S. Citizenship is not required.
Applications Consist of the Following:

You need to include the following items when you return your application. Please check off the items as you gather them. This will help both you and us to make sure we have everything we need to award the scholarship as fairly as possible. Incomplete applications will be disqualified from consideration. Please attach this list to the END of your application material.

___1. Application Form

___2. Three (3) letters of recommendations from non-relatives. Two (2) of these should be from teachers familiar with your academic achievement in math or science. The third letter should be from an adult who knows you well, but who is not associated with your academic performance.

___3. Official transcripts and ACT/SAT and/or PSAT scores. (Scores are sometimes included on transcripts. Unofficial score reports are acceptable, but transcripts must be official transcripts.)

___4. Personal letter outlining future goals and why you think you should receive the scholarship.

___5. Copy of your 2022 (or, 2023 if available) income tax return (Form 1040) and, if you are a dependent, a copy of your parent or guardian’s return (Form 1040) showing your name as a dependent. This information will be held in the strictest confidence by the Selection committee. However, you may redact (black out) Social Security numbers or other information in the copy that you provide.

___6. Copy of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) that you filled out when applying for financial aid. We realize that in some cases not all information for this form is available by the application deadline, but the form should be as complete as possible as of the date when you submit your application.
P. O. Pistilli Scholarship Application

Full Name ____________________________________________________________

Address ____________________________________________________________

City____________ State____________ Zip____________

Date of Birth____________ Home Phone Number (____)__________________________

Citizenship________________________ Cell Phone Number (if available) (____)________

Email address (if available)__________________________________________________

NOTE: Scholarship payments are made directly to the recipient as reimbursements of tuition and other educational expenses. These payments require that a Social Security Number be provided by the recipient of the scholarship.

I am (please circle all that apply):

African-American       Hispanic      Native American       A woman        Disabled

____________________________________________________________________________

Academics

High School ____________________________________________________________

Date of Graduation________________________

Grade Point Average________________________

(Indicate if GPA is out of 4.0 or 5.0, weighted or unweighted)

Class Rank____________________________

(List your rank out of number of students, example 1/250)

SAT Score (latest) R/W:________ M:________

ACT (if taken) English:_____ Math:____ Reading:_____ Science:_____ Comp.:_____
Please list your high school science and math courses and the grades you received. (Use a separate sheet, if necessary.)

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List any Honors and Awards you have received:

List your Extracurricular Activities:
Universities and Colleges to which you have applied (Prioritize the list with your top choice listed first)

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* The scholarship committee may contact you for an update on the status during the judging process.

**Employment**

List the three most recent full-time, part-time and/or summer positions held.

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**Financial Information**

Are your parents separated or divorced? ______

If so, does the parent that you do not live with provide child support? ________

If so, how much per year? _______________

If there is additional information you wish to bring to the attention of the Scholarship Selection Committee, please include it on a separate sheet of paper.

Return postmarked by: **April 8, 2024** to

Professor Andrew B. Kahng
P. O. Pistilli Scholarship Director
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University of California, San Diego
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La Jolla, CA 92093-0404
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When mailing your application, don’t forget to include an official transcript, a personal letter outlining your future goals and why you think you should receive the scholarship, three (3) letters of recommendation and the financial information requested. It is very important to meet the scholarship deadline. Late applications are not considered.
Applicant’s Statement

In submitting this application, I hereby certify that:

1. I will use the proceeds of any aid received for the payment of my educational expenses to obtain a degree in Electrical Engineering, Computer Engineering or Computer Science.

2. The information submitted in this application is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge, and I agree to inform the P.O. Pistilli Scholarship Director of any changes.

3. I agree to the release of my grades, test scores, and financial information as requested by the P.O. Pistilli Scholarship committee.

4. I understand that this form is an application only and does not ensure that a scholarship will be granted. I also understand that all decisions of the P.O. Pistilli Scholarship committee are final.

5. I understand that any false information given in this application will make me ineligible for a P.O. Pistilli Scholarship.

6. If selected, I will make every effort to attend the Keynote Day of the Design Automation Conference held on June 23-26, 2024 in San Francisco, California, at the expense of the Design Automation Conference (DAC). I understand that DAC will provide for my reasonable security and safety on this trip, but is not liable for accidents or events outside the control of DAC.

Applicant: __________________________________________ Date: ____________
Renewal Requirements

The P.O. Pistilli Scholarship is renewable each year up to five years. The requirements for renewal are as follows:

1. The recipient must be a full-time student and maintain a cumulative G.P.A. of 2.6/4.0 at an accredited college or university.

2. The recipient must major in Electrical Engineering and/or Computer Engineering and/or Computer Science.

3. An official copy of your transcript must be submitted each year to the Scholarship Director before June 30. Scholarship disbursements are made directly to recipient twice a year - $2,000 in early August and $2,000 in early December. Alternate accommodations can be made, if necessary, by contacting the Scholarship Director.

4. The scholarship ends and is no longer renewable upon receipt of the Bachelor of Science degree or 5 years, whichever occurs first. The total scholarship is up to a maximum of $20,000 ($4,000 per year for up to 5 years).

We realize that an annual award of $4,000.00 may not be adequate to cover all your expenses. You are encouraged to apply for other scholarships and to seek summer employment.