

**SUBMISSION
DUE**

**August 7, 2025
11:59PM PST**

Mel Ferris ARCHITECTURAL Scholarship

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The Crossing at East Cut

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Section 1

Letter of Recommendation on letterhead detailing personal and professional contributions.

Section 2

Brief Statement of Purpose

- Showcase your enthusiasm for architecture and describe your aspirational goals for entering the profession.
- **1 page MAX in 12-point font.**

Section 3

Resume

Section 4

Design Portfolio and Additional Letters of Support

- Minimum of 2 projects should be included in your portfolio and it should not exceed 8 pages.
- Include a brief narrative on each project.
- **Clearly designate your role in group projects.**
Learn more on AIA credit guidelines here.

Entry submissions are uploaded as a single PDF document in portrait orientation, 8 1/2 x 11 size. **Submission may not exceed 8MB.**

Proof of Enrollment + Financial Document

A transcript (official or unofficial) must be uploaded as well as the FASFA Student Aid Index (SAI) cover page.



ABOUT

The Mel Ferris Scholarship provides financial assistance to university-level architectural students enrolled in an accredited school of architecture in California. The scholarship also recognizes financial need and exemplary academic and design achievements.



ELIGIBILITY

- Applicants must be enrolled in a NAAB accredited school of architecture in California.
- Applicants must demonstrate financial need.
- Diversity and inclusion are encouraged, but identification as a member of a minority group is not required to be considered for an award.
- Must have completed the FASFA.
- Must be a student in the 2025-2026 academic year.



THE PRIZE

This scholarship is awarded in three tiers:

- First Place: \$5,000
- Second Place: \$4,000
- Third Place: \$3,000

Additionally, each California NAAB accredited school of architecture will receive \$500 to support student scholarship.

Need assistance? Contact Ashley Taylor, Awards and Scholarship Coordinator, at the email below.



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