

**SUBMISSION
DUE**

**March 22, 2026
11:59PM PST**

Robert J. Kain Healthcare Design Education Scholarship



SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Page 1: Letter of Support on letterhead detailing personal and professional contributions. *Must be from an Educator or AIA Member. Must have 1, may include up to 3.*

Section 2: Resume

Section 3: Essay answering the following prompt:

- What motivates your pursuit of architecture, and how do you envision contributing to the profession? Discuss both the experiences that have shaped your interest and your goals for the future.
- 1-2pgs, 12pt font

Section 4: Design Portfolio

- 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 individual documents in portrait orientation, 8 1/2 x 11 size. Submission may not exceed 8MB.

Proof of Enrollment: An official school statement, ID or class Schedule must also be provided.



ABOUT

Founded by AIA California's Healthcare Facilities Forum Committee in memory of their colleague, the Robert J. Kain Healthcare Design Education Scholarship, known as The Kain Scholarship, strives to encourage and support architecture students interested in pursuing a career in the design and delivery of hospitals and healing environments.



ELIGIBILITY

- California Resident
- Proof of enrollment as a full-time student in an architecture program at a California College or University.
- Must be in an undergraduate or Masters program.
- NAAB accredited schools only.



THE PRIZE

The Kain Scholarship gives out approximately \$6000 in scholarships annually to help offset costs of higher education in architecture.

Recipients are also invited to the Annual Healthcare Facilities Forum held in October.

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



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