

**SUBMISSION
DUE**

**March 6, 2025
11:59PM PST**

Paul W. Welch Jr. **ARE** Scholarship

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Section 1: Nomination letter on letterhead from an AXP mentor or supervisor, an AIA Member in good standing or an Executive Director at any AIA chapter in California.

Section 2: Essay answering the following the following prompt:

- Reflecting on your journey in architecture so far, what have been the pivotal moments that shaped your career? How have these experiences influenced the direction you want to take in the profession?
- **1-2pgs, 12pt 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 separate documents in portrait orientation, 8 1/2 x 11 size. **Submission may not exceed 8MB.**

ABOUT

This program was created to celebrate Paul Welch Jr.'s experiences with the California Architects Board (CAB), as well as with AIA California, and his unwavering belief in the power of the architectural license. The scholarship recognizes the significant contributions of California interns at early stages in their careers and encourages them to complete the licensure process by covering all associated costs.

ELIGIBILITY

- California resident
- AIAS or Associate AIA Member in good standing
- NCARB and CAB record holder in good standing or IPAL student
- Applicants may have passed one or more divisions of the ARE, but cannot have passed all divisions.

THE PRIZE

Reimbursement of the cost of passing each division of the Architect Registration Examination (ARE) (\$1,260 – \$1,470) and the CA Supplemental Exam (\$100). Proof of passing must be submitted for reimbursement. Funds can be applied to previously passed divisions.

Reimbursement of NCARB (\$100) and CAB (\$100) fees to establish records.

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



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

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Section 2: Resume

Section 3: Essay answering the following 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.
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