Kenneth Jacobs Memorial Scholarship

The Kenneth Jacobs Memorial Scholarship provides partial tuition to a student(s) attending the summer program, Discover Architecture, in the School of Architecture at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Established in 2011, The Kenneth Jacobs Memorial Scholarship is supported through funds from the Kenneth Jacobs Memorial Fund in honor of Kenneth Jacobs (BArch 1958).

Kenneth Jacobs graduated from the University of Illinois with his Bachelor of Architecture in 1958. Ken loved art, culture, architecture and spending time with creative people. He spent most of his career developing and designing shopping centers, always looking for new and interesting ways to collaborate with other artists. Ken truly enjoyed helping young architects get starting in the business, and he was a mentor and cheerleader for many. Sadly, we lost Ken to pancreatic cancer in 2007, and we hope that his inspiration will live on through this memorial fund.

Eligibility/Requirements

Students interested in participating in Discover Architecture are eligible to apply for the Kenneth Jacobs Memorial Scholarship. To be considered, students must first apply to the Discover Architecture. In addition, students must submit a one-page essay (double-spaced) explaining their reasons for becoming an architect and their goals for the future.

Deadline: April 14, 2017

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Discover Architecture

Discover Architecture is a unique opportunity for high school juniors and seniors and for beginning college students interested in pursuing a career in architecture to learn about the roles and responsibilities of today’s architects and the related disciplines.

Studio design projects supplemented with daily seminars, demonstrations, slide presentations, films, and field trips give students “hands on” experience and the knowledge of what will be expected of them in college and the profession. This program is rigorous and intense and requires students to work and concentrate in a mature and serious way. Instruction and activities are scheduled mornings, afternoons, and evenings. Students also have opportunities for interaction with faculty and other students in the program.

Contact Information:

For consideration, please submit the requirements to:

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