

The Rear Admiral Samuel Eliot Morison Naval History Scholarship

(on line version)

Closing Date for Applications: 15 April 2019

Announcement of Award: 31 May 2019

Submit application and supporting documents electronically to:
NHHC_Fellowships @navy.mil

Hard copy materials can be sent to:
Naval History and Heritage Command
Histories Branch Head
ATTN: Morison Scholarship
805 Kidder Breese SE
Washington, DC 20374-5060

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1. The Director, Naval History and Heritage Command (NHHC), is calling for applications for the Rear Admiral Samuel Eliot Morison Naval History Supplemental Scholarship for the academic year 2019–2020. The purpose of the scholarship is to promote the development of a broad understanding of naval history within the American national experience. Historical knowledge is an invaluable tool to place current issues in context and for leaders to make sound decisions.
2. The grant is named in honor of the late Rear Admiral Samuel Eliot Morison, USNR, an eminent naval and maritime historian and winner of the Pulitzer Prize.
3. The scholarship provides a \$5,000 cash award to one active duty commissioned officer of the U. S. Navy or U. S. Marine Corps with demonstrated leadership potential and high academic qualifications who is already pursuing graduate study in history, international relations, or a related field. The award is to help pay for expenses related to research, travel, and the purchase of books or other educational materials.
4. Any officer desiring to compete for the Morison Supplemental Scholarship to be awarded for study beginning in the fall 2019 (academic year 2019-2020) should submit a letter of application via his/her commanding officer to the e-mail or physical address listed above.
5. Applications must be received no later than 15 April 2019. Use of the online application form and e-mail is encouraged. NOTE: Mail security procedures in the DC area delay delivery for 5-7 days beyond normal delivery times. Candidates are reminded to allow adequate delivery time of items sent by U.S. Mail or use a commercial delivery service.

6. Application packages should provide the following information:
- a. University currently attending or to which application has been made and the current status of that application;
 - b. Copy of officer biography;
 - c. A statement that includes an outline of the proposed education program, degree, and major;
 - d. A copy of all official college/university transcripts;
 - e. A statement no to exceed 500 words concerning the relationship of the Morison Scholarship to the applicant's interests and the value to be derived by both the applicant and the Navy/Marine Corps;
 - f. Commanding Officer's endorsement.
 - g. Completed pdf application form from NHHC website.

7. Applications will be screened by the professional staff of NHHC. Recommendations on those applicants considered best qualified will be submitted to the Director, NHHC, who will make the final selection and an alternate by 31 May 2019.

- a. Selection of the finalists will be based on the following criteria:
 1. Relevance of the chosen area of study to U.S. naval history;
 2. Demonstrated professional performance with particular emphasis on the officer's specialty;
 3. Academic ability;
 4. Potential for professional growth

8. Taxes: For the tax implications of the award, recipients should consult the Internal Revenue Service and their state revenue offices or their tax advisors. Recipients will be required to report their social security numbers before receiving payments.