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Dear Student:

Thank you for your interest in the 2012 scholarship sponsored by the Eastern Carolina Chapter of the Professional Engineers of North Carolina (PENC). The Earl W. Bonner Eastern Carolina Scholarship is in honor of Mr. Earl Bonner, an engineer from Beaufort County, NC. The Bonner Scholarship is funded and administered by the Eastern Carolina Chapter of the Professional Engineers of North Carolina. The purpose of the scholarship is to assist promising undergraduate engineering students from Eastern North Carolina with tuition and academic fees. The scholarship is for engineering students only. To be eligible you must be a U.S. Citizen, currently enrolled in an ABET certified engineering program at one of the 16 UNC campuses.

The applicant's permanent address must be within the service area of the Eastern Carolina Chapter. (See the Application for further detail on the service area.) You must have completed 28 credit hours, and you must have at least two semesters (one year) remaining in your undergraduate program.

***The Application deadline is March 15, 2012.***

***The amount of the 2012 Bonner Scholarship is \$1000.***

You may be eligible for other PENC scholarships. Please see the scholarship section of the PENC website for details on other scholarships ([www.penc.org](http://www.penc.org)).

**Return your completed (hardcopy) application to:**

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Eastern Carolina Chapter Scholarship Committee Chairman  
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## Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What if I am a high school student?

A: The Bonner Scholarship is for college engineering students only.

Q: How can I get information on other PENC and NSPE scholarships?

A: Please check our web site at [www.penc.org](http://www.penc.org). Information on NSPE scholarships is available at [www.nspe.org](http://www.nspe.org). To get information on non-PENC / NSPE scholarships, you should contact your counselor, search the Internet, and search your college or public library.

Q: May I apply for other PENC scholarships in addition to the Bonner Scholarship?

A: Yes.

Q: How are scholarship winners selected?

A: Selection is based on merit. However, for worthy candidates with a strong financial need, the need will be considered.

Q: What is ABET?

A: ABET is the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology, an organization which certifies that engineering and technology curriculum meets strict standards.

Q: What if I am not enrolled in an ABET certified engineering program?

A: Then you are not eligible for this scholarship.

Q: What if my permanent address is not in the Eastern North Carolina Chapter service area?

A: Then you are not eligible for this scholarship.

Q: Do I have to attend a university in North Carolina?

A: Yes, you must be enrolled at one of the universities that are part of the 16 UNC campus system in North Carolina to be eligible for this scholarship.

Q: Do I have to submit an official school transcript with my application?

A: Yes, you must include an official school transcript. Unofficial copies are not accepted.

Q: What are the important dates?

A: Applications must be received by March 15, 2012. Scholarships are typically awarded in June for the following academic year.

Q: What are the expectations of the scholarship recipient?

A: To remain an engineering student at one of the 16 UNC campuses for the entire year following the award of the scholarship.

Q: What if I have more questions?

A: E-mail the ECC Scholarship Committee Chairman, David Cox, at [davidcox@coxmarineinc.com](mailto:davidcox@coxmarineinc.com)