

Invitation to Participate in the NAMC 53rd Annual Conference Student Chapter STEM Program Initiative Competition

The **National Association of Minority Contractors (NAMC)** invites currently enrolled minority and female undergraduate or graduate students with a declared major in construction management, engineering, or other construction-related field to participate in NAMC's **Annual STEM Program Initiative Competition**. Details of the competition follow; please do not hesitate to contact the NAMC National Office with any questions.

ORGANIZATION NAME AND BACKGROUND

The National Association of Minority Contractors (NAMC), founded in Oakland, California in 1969, is the oldest minority construction trade association in the United States. Through a network of local chapters and in collaboration with strategic and corporate partnerships, NAMC assists member contractors with building business capacity by providing access to contract opportunities, legislative advocacy, and contractor development training.

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY DESCRIPTION Introduction:

New technology in the construction industry has grown by leaps and bounds. NAMC seeks to help equip minority youth with the knowledge and skills to solve tough problems, gather and evaluate evidence, and make sense of information. These skill sets can be achieved by studying science, technology, engineering and math, also known as STEM (K-12).

STEM Program Initiative Project:

The student will develop a creative project or exercise that STEM program high school students can complete, which will introduce and engage students in construction technologies that pertain to your field of study.

Award:

Up to three (3) winners will be selected by the judging committee and will receive an opportunity to present their project idea at **NAMC's 53rd Annual Conference in New York City, November 2-3, 2022**. The first place winner will also receive a \$1,000 scholarship award on behalf of NAMC and the NAMC Student Chapter. In addition, winning entries will receive mention in an industry-related publication, such as American DBE Magazine, following the conference.

Judging Committee:

Academic and industry professionals from among NAMC National partners. **Winners will be notified by Friday, October 28, 2022.**

Issuing Office:

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ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS: Currently enrolled minority and female students with a declared major in construction management, engineering, or other construction-related field.

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY TITLE: NAMC Student Chapter Annual STEM Program Initiative

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTALS: 11:59 PM Eastern, Tuesday, October 25, 2022

All submissions should be sent to the NAMC National Office by the posted deadline via email at: dlittlejohn@namcnational.org.

- Applicants should be interested in joining the NAMC Student Chapter and must submit a completed NAMC Student Chapter Application either online or with their competition submission. (There is no cost or obligation for annual membership.)
- The mission of the NAMC Student Chapter is to assist women and minority students studying in the fields of construction management, engineering, or design and management with professional and academic growth. The student chapter strives to provide support, encouragement, and opportunity to its members. Student chapter members assist and support the development of K-12 STEM Program students by serving as a bridge to the next generation of minority construction leaders.
- The paper will not exceed three (3) pages, including text, tables, figures, and references, excluding the NAMC Student Chapter Application mentioned above.

FORMATTING GUIDELINES

- Margins: 1 inch on all sides
- All figures and tables should be numbered consecutively and have captions.
- Each page should have a footer containing the author's name, name of the university or college where the student is enrolled, title of the paper and a page number. Page numbering should begin on the first page of the white paper after the application.

Please contact the NAMC national office with any questions. We look forward to your participation.

Sincerely,

Wendell R. Stemley, CMAA National President

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