

Hello. It looks like you're using an ad blocker that may prevent our website from working properly. To receive the best experience possible, please make sure any blockers are switched off and refresh the page.

If you have any questions or need help you can email us

programs from the AICPA to help promote diversity, equity and inclusion. The Accounting Scholars Leadership Workshop is an annual event underwritten by the ...

Mar. 03, 2022



The [American Institute of CPAs](#) (AICPA) is now accepting applications for the Private Companies Practice Section (PCPS) [George Willie Ethnically Diverse Student Scholarship and Internship program](#).

The George Willie scholarship program provides a scholarship and paid internship to ten ethnic minority accounting students who intend to pursue their CPA licensure. Each student receives up to \$10,000 (USD) toward their final academic year tuition.

Ten PCPS member firms will each sponsor a student for an internship during the

Hello. It looks like you're using an ad blocker that may prevent our website from working properly. To receive the best experience possible, please make sure any blockers are switched off and refresh the page.

If you have any questions or need help you can email us

- **REDW – Albuquerque, NM**
- **Smith Patrick CPA – Webster Groves, MO**
- **Tonneson + CO – Wakefield, MA**

This program was created in honor of George Willie, CPA, CGMA, a former chair of AICPA's PCPS Executive Committee and the AICPA Minority Initiatives Committee. During his more than 35-year career, Willie has promoted the benefits of a career in accounting to students and young professionals in pursuit of the CPA license.

The George Willie scholarship program is open to racial and ethnic minority students pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in accounting or an accounting-related major. Students interested in the program can visit [aicpa.org/pcpsscholarship](https://aicpa.org/pcpsscholarship) for full eligibility requirements, selection criteria and more. Applications are currently open, with a deadline of April 30, 2022.

“The George Willie scholarship program helps identify talented minorities while also developing a pipeline between students and firms, ultimately increasing diversity in the profession,” says Ronald Atkins II, Diversity and Inclusion Specialist at the AICPA. “The AICPA has and continues to dedicate time, effort, and resources to helping minorities with their pursuit of becoming CPA's.”

The AICPA is committed to promoting diversity, equity and inclusion in the profession, and this program is one of ways the AICPA is working to broaden the pipeline of talent entering the profession. The [U.S. census projects](#) that minorities will comprise the majority of the population in the U.S. by 2045. A more diverse and inclusive profession will be better equipped to address the shifts in entrepreneurial capital that will result from these changing demographics. In addition, studies have shown that businesses that are more diverse perform better than their peers.

The George Willie scholarship program is one of several scholarships, awards and

Hello. It looks like you're using an ad blocker that may prevent our website from working properly. To receive the best experience possible, please make sure any blockers are switched off and refresh the page.

If you have any questions or need help you can email us

Accounting • Benefits

CPA Practice Advisor is registered with the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) as a sponsor of continuing professional education on the National Registry of CPE Sponsors.

© 2024 Firmworks, LLC. All rights reserved