



ACEC New York firms participate in ACE Mentor Program

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The current trend in American education is a higher focus on STEM subjects, and there is overall concern in the A/E/C industry regarding a workforce reaching retirement age and a lack of young professionals to take on their roles. To that end, the ACEC New York Scholarship Fund is proud to provide financial assistance for current university students pursuing degrees in engineering or surveying.

In addition to our scholarship fund, each year since 2011, ACEC New York has provided a high school graduate of the ACE Mentor Program of Greater New York with a \$3,000 legacy scholarship to be used towards pursuing a degree in engineering. The 2011 recipient, Mohammad Zaryab, proceeded to study electrical engineering through the Macaulay Honors College at the City College of New York. The 2012 recipient, Emily Farella, is studying mechanical engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Samantha Magnes received the scholarship in 2013 and is studying civil engineering at the University of Virginia. Last year, Kemba Hall earned the scholarship and is now studying engineering at the University of Delaware.

ACE Mentor is a not-for-profit organization that helps prepare high school students for careers in design and construction through mentoring by industry professionals. The program was founded in New York City in 1995 by leading architects, contractors, engineers and owners. It has grown to more than 8,000 students and 2,500 mentors in 200 cities and 40 states. Since its inception, the program has served over 5,000 students in New York and 65,000 students nationwide. In 2013, over 950 students registered for the program in New York alone. ACE Mentor of Greater New York has awarded \$1.887 million in scholarships to 915 program graduates.

"These students are the future of the engineering profession, and it's up to us to nurture and encourage them now," said Milo Rivero Ph.D., P.E., CCM, current chairman of ACE Mentor Program of Greater New York, as well as president and CEO of STV Group, Inc. and member of the ACEC New York board of directors. "These are bright, motivated young men and women, and we are proud to encourage them on their path to a great career."

For more information on the ACE Mentor program, including how to volunteer as a mentor and donate to this cause, visit www.acementorny.org. Students can also apply to be part of this program via this website. The 20th ACE Mentor Program of Greater New York Annual Scholarship Luncheon will take place on May 15th, 2015.

ACEC New York is a proactive coalition of 280 firms representing every discipline of engineering related to the built environment—civil, structural, mechanical, electrical, environmental, geotechnical—and affiliated companies. Our shared goals are to further the business interests of our membership, enhance the quality and safety of the environment we live and work in, and help ensure the vitality of our communities. For more information, visit www.acecny.org.

ACEC New York Calendar of Events

January 25-27, 2015: Winter Conference, Albany Marriott, Albany, NY
March 28, 2015: Engineering Excellence Awards Gala, Waldorf Astoria, New York, NY
ACEC New York Mentors AECOM
AKF Group
ARCADIS
Arup
Cerami & Associates
CH2M HILL
Collado Engineering
Cosentini Assoc.
DeSimone
Consulting Eng.
GC Eng & Assoc.
Gannet Fleming
Gilsanz Murray Steficek
H2M
Hazen and Sawyer
HDR
Jacobs
JFKM Consulting Group
Jaros, Baum & Bolles
Joseph R. Loring & Assoc.
JPMorgan
Chase Bank N.A.
Langan Engineering
Lilker Associates
M-E Engineers
Mueser Rutledge
Parsons Brinckerhoff
Parsons Corporation
Robert Silman Assoc.
Sam Schwartz
Engineering
Severud Assoc.
Skanska USA
Stantec
STV Group
Syska Hennessy
Group
Thornton Tomasetti
URS Corporation
Weidlinger Assoc.
WSP USA CORP