



Dear Financial Aid Applicant,

The High Mountain Institute (HMI) recognizes that the cost of the Apprentice Program is significant. HMI subsidizes the program to keep application costs down and attempts to make the Apprentice Program affordable for all accepted apprentices, regardless of their financial circumstances. In offering aid, we hope to attract apprentices from a wide range of economic, ethnic, and geographic backgrounds. HMI offers need-based financial aid for apprentices who cannot afford the full cost of the Apprentice Program. The amount of aid available each year is finite.

Calculating Financial Aid

The Apprentice Program financial aid committee reviews gross income (both taxable and non-taxable) and dependency status of each candidate. The more one earns, and or owns, the greater the expected contribution. The financial aid committee calculates need by using information provided by the apprentice and her/his parents and attempts to make allowances for the different cost of living in some communities. The parents as well as the candidate must contribute their most recent tax return if the candidate is claimed as a dependent of their parents.

The Apprentice Program Financial Aid Policies

- Admission to the Apprentice Program is granted before considering financial aid applications.
- All financial aid awards are based entirely on need as determined by the financial aid committee.
- Parents claiming applicants as dependents are expected to provide support to the extent they are able, as determined by HMI.
- Late applications may not receive full consideration.
- All financial aid records are kept confidential.

Timetable for Applying for Financial Aid

Applications for admission and financial aid are due to HMI on February 15th. After this date, admission is on a space available basis and financial aid is available on a funds-available basis only.

Please email this page and tax forms to tbell@hminet.org.

Or, seal the Financial Aid Application and tax forms and mail to:

Apprentice Program Applications
High Mountain Institute
531 County Road 5A
Leadville, CO 80461

Financial Aid applicant's name: _____

1. In the past calendar year, did your parents/guardians provide 50% or more of your living expenses (room, board, clothing, education, etc.)? _____ If yes, what percentage did they provide? _____

2. Did your parents/guardians claim you as a dependent in their last income tax form? _____

Regardless of a yes or no answer to the above questions, all applicants must submit their most recent 1040 Tax Form. If you answered yes to either of the last two questions, applicant's parents/guardian must submit their most recent 1040 Tax Form. Parents who file separately should submit both forms.

3. What amount of tuition do you think is appropriate for you to contribute to the Apprentice Program?

4. Please describe your rationale for your proposed tuition contribution?

The information provided in this financial aid application is correct and accurate to the best of my knowledge:

Signature

Date

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