A key segment of the Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame’s (WAHF) mission is the promotion of aviation/aerospace education. One way WAHF achieves that goal is by awarding scholarships. WAHF’s scholarship program began in 2002 with a single $1,000 award. Today, four scholarships are presented annually to Wisconsin students in an aviation or aerospace program.

**The Jeff Baum Aviation Business & Jim Quinn Flight School Scholarship** was established in 2013 to honor long-time aviation business owner and 2013 WAHF inductee Jeff Baum. In 2018, an additional gift was received to the fund and expanded to include recognition of Jim Quinn. This scholarship is a $1,000 annual award to a deserving aviation/aerospace student. Preference will be given to students enrolled in aviation business management or flight school programs.

**The Carl Guell Memorial Scholarship**, named in honor of the WAHF’s founder, was created in 2002. This scholarship provides a $1,000 annual award to a deserving aviation/aerospace student.

**The Robert Payzer Memorial/EAA Chapter 640 Scholarship** began in 2013 when a local EAA chapter chose to recognize former member Robert Payzer, a Wausau, Wisconsin native and friend of the chapter. This scholarship is a $1,000 annual award to a deserving aviation/aerospace student.

**The Thiessen Field Scholarship** was created in 2005 by Jerome Thiessen, a Wisconsin aircraft owner and builder who flew from his private airport. Students with a financial need or lower GPA are especially encouraged to apply for these awards given in his memory.

**RECOGNITION:** Scholarship recipients are invited to attend and be recognized at the Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame’s annual induction ceremony held in Oshkosh in the fall.

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**WISCONSIN AVIATION HALL OF FAME SCHOLARSHIPS**

**PURPOSE**
To provide scholarships to residents of Wisconsin wishing to pursue an education and career in the aviation or aerospace field – at any point in their educational journey.

**APPLICATION PROCESS**
Apply online by visiting www.cfoncw.org. Click on “Grants & Scholarships” / “Scholarships” / “Apply Online Now” to reach the online application portal and begin the registration and application process. If this is your first visit to the site, you will need to “Create an Account.” If this is a return visit, enter your email address and password. Choose the Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame application from the menu. One completed application makes you eligible for consideration for any of the listed awards.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** March 15

**YOUR APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:**
- Transcript of most recent grades
- List of extracurricular activities (downloadable form online)
- Two instructor references (downloadable form available online)

**ELIGIBILITY**
- The following requirements apply to all awards. Applicants must:
  - Plan to pursue an education in the aviation/aerospace field
  - Be a resident of Wisconsin for at least two years
  - Demonstrate a passion for a career in the aviation/aerospace field
  - Be active in community and extracurricular activities; (note - Thiessen waives this requirement)
  - Have a minimum 3.0 GPA; (note - Thiessen Field Scholarship waives this requirement)

**Baum/Quinn:** Preference is given to applicants enrolled in an aviation business management program or flight school program

**Thiessen Field:** Restricted to students enrolled in, or planning to enroll in, an aviation program at an institution of higher education in Wisconsin or the surrounding region – including mechanics; financial need is a factor and applicants are asked to address that in the application; GPA and community service are not deciding factors in the review process and should not be deterrents for individuals planning to apply

**ANNOUNCEMENT**
The Wisconsin Aviation will announce the scholarships in their publication once the students have been notified. Recipients are also recognized at the WAHF annual dinner, held in Oshkosh in the fall.

**PAYMENT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP**
The Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin will confirm the selection of the committee with the recipients once a decision has been made and will pay scholarship funds directly to the recipient’s school once proof of registration has been provided by the student to the Community Foundation office.