

## TENTH MOUNTAIN HISTORY SCHOLARSHIP

The Tenth Mountain Division Foundation, Inc. (the Foundation) has established the Tenth Mountain History Scholarship Program to promote development of a broad understanding of military mountaineering or skiing history and contributions of the WWII Mountain Troopers within the American national experience. This historical knowledge can be an invaluable tool for the decision making process in many professional fields.

**WHAT:** This scholarship provides a maximum of one \$5,000 cash award annually to one selected graduate level student with high academic qualifications who is beginning or currently pursuing post graduate study in military history, U.S. history, international relations, or a related field. The focus of study must directly relate to the U.S. Army's 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division and affiliated units, from 1941 through the current active-duty actions, or to the post WWII contributions of these soldiers. The award will help pay for expenses related to the costs of education, research, travel, and the purchase of books or other educational materials, as administered by the academic institution within the limits of applicable law and program limitations.

**WHO:** This scholarship is available for graduate level scholars (Masters, Specialist or Doctoral level) having been accepted to or currently attending accredited universities or colleges in the United States, or solely at the discretion of the Foundation, distinguished universities or colleges abroad. No historical or biological ties to any previous or current 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division soldier are required.

**HOW:** Students desiring to compete for the Tenth Mountain History Scholarship to be awarded for study beginning in the coming fall, should submit a letter of application to the Foundation at the address noted on the application packet.

**APPLICATION:** Applications must be received no later than April 30<sup>th</sup> and include the following information:

- Completed application form.
- University presently attending or to which application has been made and the current status of that application (acceptance into an accredited program is a condition of any award).
- Copy of student's personal and academic biography in your own words (limit to one printed page at 10 point font, please).
- A statement from the applicant that includes an outline of that proposed education program, the degree objective, major of study, and proposed thesis, dissertation or capstone project topic. (Include the degree to be earned, department or college, etc.)
- A copy of all official college/university undergraduate and post-graduate transcripts.
- A statement not to exceed 1000 words concerning the relationship of the Tenth Mountain Division History Scholarship to the applicant's field of study and the value to be derived both by the individual and the general public.

- Upon acceptance into an accredited program, it is required that the thesis advisor, department chair or dissertation committee chair contact information be added to this packet.

The packet summarizing the required steps may be found at (**web site address to follow**).

**SELECTION:** The Foundation will make the final selection of the Tenth Mountain History Scholar and an alternate (if available) by July 30. Selection of finalists will be based on the following criteria:

- Relevance of the chosen area of study to contributions by the WWII soldiers of the 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division.
- Academic ability including baccalaureate record.
- Viability of a publishable final paper, dissertation, thesis or capstone project on the impact of the 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division soldiers on the field of study. Publication of a final paper is not a requirement for this scholarship, but it is expressly stated that a courtesy copy of any relevant final paper, dissertation, thesis or capstone project will be provided to the Foundation to be placed on file with the Tenth Mountain Division Resource Center in Denver, Colorado for reference by future generations. All publication rights will remain with the scholar.

Students not accepted for the current award cycle are invited to reapply for the following award cycle. Students residing or attending university outside of the United States may be considered based on relevance, potential impact on the citizens of the United States and on the citizens of their country of residence. All applications and papers shall be submitted in English, by mail to be considered.

**SCHOLARSHIP AWARD:** The total award is \$5000. The award will be disbursed to the selected scholar in the following manner: \$2500 (50% of the total award) will be sent to the institution upon receipt of a letter on official letterhead from the thesis advisor, department chair or dissertation committee chair indicating that the topic proposed has been accepted; \$2500 (balance of the total award) will be sent to the institution upon receipt from the scholar of the accepted and final version of the final paper, dissertation, thesis or capstone project accompanied by a letter of acceptance or approval from the thesis advisor, department chair or dissertation committee chair indicating that the attached product has met the standards of the educational institution towards the completion of the degree program.

It is the earnest belief of the Tenth Mountain Division Foundation, Inc. that this scholarly study will help perpetuate the legacy of these soldiers and will enhance the love of the mountains that their service has inspired. We ask that you share what you have learned and help future generations "**Climb to Glory**".