



THE OHIO FOUNDATION  
of  
INDEPENDENT COLLEGES

We are pleased to announce the **Nordson BUILDS Scholarship Program** is now open to applicants for the 2019-20 academic year. You are receiving this correspondence because we have determined students at your institution are eligible to apply. Please share this opportunity using the attached flyer or forward to the appropriate person to do so. Feel free to let me know of any contact updates so we can reach out to the appropriate individuals on campus in the future.

Last year over 150 students nationwide were awarded **Nordson BUILDS** Scholarships which range from \$2,000 to \$10,000. Please help spread the word about this great opportunity to students at your institution.

- **These scholarships are targeted at students whose permanent residence, college, or university is located near a Nordson facility. Your institution has been identified as being near one of these facilities therefore your students may be eligible to apply.**
- **Eligible students seeking bachelor's degrees must have at least 3.0 cumulative GPA. Associate's degree and certificate seeking students must have at least 2.7 cumulative GPA.**
- **Eligible majors include Engineering (Electrical, Mechanical, Industrial, and Software), Engineering Technology, Machining, Manufacturing Operations, Supply Chain Management, Business, Marketing, Accounting, Finance, Industrial Management, Information Technology, and engineering-related STEM majors leading to a career in industry.**
- **Eligible students will be planning on pursuing careers in the manufacturing industry and corporate America (as demonstrated through essays within the application).**
- **Scholarships ranging from \$2,000 to \$10,000 will be awarded to students enrolled in accredited public or private not-for-profit postsecondary institutions.**

Please share this information and the attached flyer with your students and encourage them to visit the Nordson BUILDS Scholarship Program website for the application, list of Nordson locations, and more information.

<http://www.ofic.org/smr/nordson>

**Application Deadline: May 15, 2019**

Scholarship recipients will be chosen by a selection committee based on an overall assessment of academic promise, character, leadership, work ethic, community service, school involvement, and the applicant's career/college major fit. This letter is being sent to financial aid, advancement, and career services offices. Please feel free to share with other departments. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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*Founded in 1954 in Amherst Ohio, Nordson Corporation delivers precision technology solutions to help customers succeed worldwide. Over the course of its more than 50 years in business, Nordson Corporation has grown from a local company with sales under \$1 million, to a multinational organization with sales in excess of \$1 billion and direct operations in more than 30 countries. Nordson Corporation has partnered with OFIC's Scholarship Management Resources (SMR), an independent scholarship services provider to manage the scholarship program, including selecting the recipients. This ensures a fair and objective-based selection process.*



Applications Open January 15 - May 15

## NORDSON BUILDS SCHOLARSHIPS

At Nordson, we believe it's our responsibility to make a positive impact in the communities where we live and work. We do that in many ways, including support for education to ensure students in our communities have access to opportunities to build a brighter future for themselves.

We also aim to develop a diverse, highly-skilled talent pool for careers in the manufacturing industry, so our Nordson BUILDS scholarships represent more than the average scholarship program. Last year, more than 150 students received BUILDS scholarships ranging from \$2,000 to \$10,000. Plus, the students we support get exclusive primary access to internship opportunities and employment opportunities after graduation.

Students can apply for scholarships within three categories:

### **Career and Technical Scholarships**

Awarded to students pursuing credit-based certificates or associate degrees at an accredited community college or trade school

### **University Scholars Scholarships**

Awarded to students pursuing four-year degrees at accredited colleges or universities

### **Creating Equity in Industry Scholarships**

Awarded to underrepresented students as part of our goal to promote gender and racial equity and develop a diverse manufacturing workforce

To apply or view a list of Nordson locations, visit:  
[www.ofic.org/smr/nordson](http://www.ofic.org/smr/nordson)

## ELIGIBILITY

- High school seniors or college students enrolling in an accredited not-for-profit postsecondary institution, including a four-year college, community college or trade school
- Majoring in a field related to science, technology, engineering, mathematics or business and interested in a career in manufacturing
- Live near a Nordson facility or attend a school near a Nordson facility
- Maintain good academic standing
- Must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

## ABOUT NORDSON

Nordson delivers innovative precision technology solutions to our customers, helping them succeed and adding value to countless products people use every day. Collaboration drives our success as a market leader, an employer of choice and an outstanding corporate citizen. Our employees thrive in a team environment where we enable each other to continuously improve and grow. In each of our interactions, we strive to bring integrity, respect for others, passion, energy and excellence.