



Shang Family Scholarship Application

David and Renate Shang were transplants to Tioga County but spent most of their lifetime living and raising their family in the Owego/Apalachin area.

When David C.T. Shang immigrated to the United States from Taiwan in 1950, he was already a passionate, lifelong student in the tradition of a classical Chinese scholar - a product of a culture that for thousands of years placed emphasis on success through academic learning and study. He quickly came to love America and, while a poor student living in New York City in the late 1950s, he met and married his other lifelong love, a German immigrant named Renate Albrecht. Together they struggled to make a living, with David taking classes during the day, and studying during quiet moments while working at night. Finally, he earned a Master of Science in Chemistry after writing his thesis using data from a spectrophotometer he built out of an old refrigerator. This advanced scientific training, and his innate creativity allowed him to successfully enter the world of applied engineering, resulting in an eventual move to Owego, NY in 1964 after accepting a position with IBM.

David was a continuous learner whose intellectual curiosity was never satiated. Despite his full-time employment and busy family life, he always loved to read, learn, listen to classical music, and cultivate his mind. This drive for academic excellence was emphasized as he and Renate raised their sons in the Owego-Apalachin School system, with the boys graduating from Owego Free Academy in 1979, 1981, and 1984 and all three subsequently graduating from Duke University's Pratt School of Engineering. Through their dedication and devotion, one son is a successful anesthesiologist, another is a patent attorney/product manager and the third son has retired from a successful engineering career.

David and Renate believed Tioga County was the perfect place to raise their children, with its combination of the intellectual base provided by IBM set in the idyllic rural setting of the Susquehanna River Valley. David and Renate always cherished their time in Owego and credited it with helping foster the success of their sons, whether it was extracurricular school and sports activities, Boy Scout Troop 53, or summer camp at Camp Truman. They instilled a commitment to service in their sons, encouraging them to volunteer at Robert Packer Hospital. It was their sincere wish that the Shang family give back to the community that nurtured them. In addition to gifts to Owego United Methodist Church and the Owego Boy's Club, the David & Renate Shang Scholarship was created.

Eligibility Criteria and Check List:

- Graduating senior from Owego Free Academy, Owego, New York.
- Must be pursuing a degree in the fields of engineering, mathematics, physical or computer science.
- Must be enrolled in an accredited college or university in the United States.
- Must have earned at least an 85% grade point average while in high school and have a financial need. Attach a copy of high school transcript.
- Must have shown a willingness to benefit their community.
- Must have personal characteristics suitable for an effective career in the fields of engineering, physical or computer sciences and any other criteria the counselors consider appropriate.
- Please attach a short essay (200–250 words double spaced) of what makes you an excellent candidate to pursue a degree in engineering, mathematics, or science and why you are passionate about it.

Please see your guidance for the deadline.



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Type or print neatly in black or blue ink. Only complete applications will be considered.

Personal Information:

Last Name		First Name		MI
Street Address			Apt. /Unit Number	
City	State	Zip Code	Home Phone	Cell Phone
Sex: M	F	Date of Birth: ____/____/____ MM/ DD/ YYYY	Name of High School	Date of Graduation
E-mail Address				

Parental Information:

Father's Last Name		First Name		MI
(If different) Street Address	Apt. /Unit Number		Email address	
City	State	Zip Code	Best Available Phone Number	
Name of Employer			Employed Since	
Mother's Last Name		First Name		MI
(If different) Street Address	Apt. /Unit Number		Email address	
City	State	Zip Code	Best Available Phone Number	
Name of Employer			Employed Since	

Employment Information:

Do you currently have a part-time job? Y N If yes: _____
Position

Name of Employer	Employer's Phone Number
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School Based Information:

Major Field of study in college: _____

Name of the college or university you will attend:

G.P.A. _____ SAT Score _____ or ACT Score _____

Class Rank _____ of _____ # students.

Financial Information:

Please enter your Student Aid Index (SAI) number, which is generated after completing your Free Application for Federal Student Aid Form (FAFSA): _____.

If this number is not available at the time of submitting the application, please provide details as to the status of FAFSA. Please notify your guidance office when the number becomes available.

Number of Dependents in Family: _____ Number of other siblings in College: _____

I attest that all personal data included within this application is truthful and in no way misleading. All contents have been completed entirely by me (the applicant) to the best of my knowledge.

If I am selected as a recipient of a Community Foundation for the Twin Tiers scholarship, I agree to permit the Foundation to confer with my school to verify my continuing enrollment during the term of my scholarship.

I also agree that my name and photograph can be used in announcements made by the Community Foundation for the Twin Tiers regarding the scholarship (s) for which I have been awarded.

I also agree that by signing this I permit my school to give the Community Foundation for the Twin Tiers information regarding my SAT scores, current GPA and class rank.

Awards may be used at any accredited college, university, or technical school within the United States.

Signature of Applicant

Date of Signature