

Massachusetts Airport Management Association



2024 Crocker Snow Scholarships

MAMA awards annual scholarships to candidates who are pursuing careers in airport management or a related aviation field. MAMA's Crocker Snow Scholarship has been established to honor the memory of a true Massachusetts aviation pioneer. Crocker was born in Boston on February 26, 1905. As a child, he attended the first Massachusetts aviation gathering when he was taken to the 1910 Squantum Air Meet. This meet offered a \$10,000 Boston Globe prize for the individual who could successfully fly from Squantum to Boston Light in the outer harbor, and return. It was here that Crocker was bitten by the aviation bug.

MAMA will be awarding up to \$2,000 in scholarships in 2024

The student must have a proven record of academic achievement and a demonstrated financial need. Applicants must be a Massachusetts state resident and be enrolled, or accepted for enrollment, in an accredited aviation-related undergraduate program for the period covered by the scholarship. The scholarships will be awarded to students pursuing a degree in Airport Management or in an aviation-related field such as Airport Management, Airport Operations, Civil Engineering, or Airport Planning, but not including Air Traffic Control, Commercial Aviation, or Flight Education.

The History of Crocker Snow



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When Crocker graduated from Harvard College in 1926 he had already soloed and he established one of the area's first fixed-based operations at the then Boston Municipal Airport (now Logan International). Known as "Skyways, Inc.", it grew during the halcyon days of the 1920s. Flying duties were numerous and one of the many notable tasks he performed was his check-ride of Amelia Earhart prior to her first Trans-Atlantic crossing. Eventually, Crocker sold Skyways and was asked to draw up proposed legislation that would be enacted as the Commonwealth's first aeronautical law.

In 1938, then Governor Saltonstall appointed the first five members of the Massachusetts Aeronautics Commission and in 1939, Crocker was named as the Commission's first director. During the WW II years, Crocker was commissioned by the Army Air Corps to establish air bases and suitable air navigation facilities that would support the North Atlantic air routes to Europe. In the later years of the war, he became a B-29 squadron commander involved with the war in the Pacific.

When hostilities ended, Crocker returned home and resumed his duties as the director of the MAC, a position he held until the late 1970s. During this period of time, he developed many innovative airport and flight operational procedures, not only in Massachusetts but nation-wide. He served several terms on the Board of the National Aeronautics Association (NAA) and several terms on the Board of the National Aeronautics Association (NAA) and as president of the National Association of State Aviation Officials (NASAO). Crocker was highly devoted to the development of all-weather instrument flying and IFR Category II precision instrument approaches. This led to his being drafted as the Chairman of the President's Aviation Advisory Committee. The committee ultimately made many successful recommendations regarding airport and air traffic improvements throughout the country and worldwide.

Crocker continued supporting aeronautical causes from his retirement in the late 1970's to his death in 1999. Chief among these was the promotion of an additional Runway 14-32 at Boston-Logan Airport that will greatly relieve air traffic congestion and delays.

Crocker's strong support in developing the Massachusetts Airport system has brought the Massachusetts Airport Management Association to recognize the long-standing contribution he has made over these many decades. Consequently, we are proud to offer the Massachusetts Airport Management Association sponsored scholarship in the name of Crocker Snow.

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Application Form

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Academic Institution Name _____

Address _____

Degree Sought _____

Cumulative GPA _____ Planned Graduation Date _____

Requirements: Must, at the time of application:

- Be a full-time student majoring in airport management or a related field
- Be a resident of Massachusetts State
- Demonstrate financial need
- Possess a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 on 4.0 scale

Application Parts:

- Completed application form (this page)
- Narrative (see below for content)
- United States Department of Education Free Application for Federal Student Aid Expected Family Contribution (EFC)
- Statement from the financial aid office of the student's academic institution, which documents the student's Cost of Attendance (COA) and any financial aid awarded/received (Award Letter)

Application Narrative: concisely address the following:

- Why you want a career in Airport Management or related field
- Your career goals (short and long term)
- Honors and/or awards you have received
- Your civic and/or extracurricular activities
- How you are financing your education and how this scholarship will be used (EFC & COA)
- Why you deserve a scholarship
- Any special considerations you wish to bring to the attention of the selection committee

Award Amount: up to \$2,000

Submittal Deadline: April 30, 2024

E-Mail your application to the MAMA Scholarship Committee via
executivedirector@massairports.com with the subject line **"2024 Crocker Snow Scholarship"**