



ROOSEVELT UNIVERSITY
MARSHALL BENNETT INSTITUTE
OF REAL ESTATE

PANOVICH OPPORTUNITY FUND FOR REAL ESTATE EDUCATION

The goal of the Panovich Opportunity Fund is to financially assist and support early and mid-career persons in the Chicago real estate field, particularly those who otherwise might not be able to afford to pursue a graduate real estate degree.

STUDENT REQUIREMENTS:

Admission

Applicants must meet the current admission requirements of the HCB. In particular, applicants will have completed an undergraduate degree with a GPA of 3.0 or higher and have 2-3 years of work experience in real estate or a related field. An employer recommendation letter is required.

Program Participation Requirements

Panovich Scholars will be required to (a) maintain a GPA of 3.5; (b) be continuously registered; (c) take two classes each semester; (d) complete the Institute's professional development courses; and (e) fully participate in Institute and Panovich activities. The degree must be completed in two years following initial enrollment.

PROGRAM ELEMENTS:

Scholarships

Selected students will receive an annual scholarship of \$5,000 a year for up to two years (or a maximum of \$10,000) to complete the program.

Advising

Students will be assigned an advisor from the Institute or the HCB to provide guidance concerning their academic choices, as well as other counseling during their studies.

Mentorships

All students will be assigned a mentor from Mid-America Asset Management or related firms. The mentors will provide shadowing, attendance at events, exposure to the industry and professional advice and interaction.

Industry/Student Forums

The Institute will involve the students in all of its educational and program activities. Student memberships in industry organizations will be provided.

Career Evaluation

Each semester the student will have an opportunity to review career options with the industry mentor. Internships at Mid-America Asset Management, as available, will give "hands on" experience.

Industry Placement

The Institute will assist the students to prepare resume materials and utilize the Advisory Board, events, and job postings from Chicago area real estate firms to network students with career opportunities.

Professional Development

All scholarship students under the Institute's real estate academic programs are required to attend the four on-site Institute professional development courses. The courses are free and include:

- Two information technology classes – including industry programs such as Argus, CoStar and others.
- Professional and Personal Skills – business etiquette; presentation, financial and time management skills.
- Business writing, - composition, document organization, resume preparation, etc.

GRADUATION and CERTIFICATE:

Graduates from the program will receive a special certificate as a scholar of ***THE PANOVICH OPPORTUNITY FUND FOR REAL ESTATE EDUCATION.***