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Goal for 2019: Engage with local colleges and universities - by Greg Curtis

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One of the goals in 2019 for the Massachusetts and Rhode Island Chapter of the Appraisal Institute is to engage with local colleges and universities to introduce students to a career in real estate appraisal. To that end, the chapter through its Hewitt Scholarship Fund, is pleased to announce that it is now accepting applications for its Real Estate Appraisal Education Scholarship. One scholarship per year will be awarded to a recent college graduate for the four courses required for a trainee license (Basic Appraisal Principles, Basic Appraisal Procedures, 15 Hour National USPAP Course and the Supervisor/Trainee Course) offered by the Massachusetts and Rhode Island Chapter of the Appraisal Institute.

The next opportunity to take the trainee courses starts on May 9. The Appraisal Institute offers a Student Affiliate category. Student Affiliates enjoy discounts on Appraisal Institute publications and courses, access to the Appraisal Institute's Lum Library as well as affiliation with our local chapter where they can network with appraisal professionals.

Many college graduates who are considering a career in real estate don't know about the advantages of a real estate appraisal career – which could include a flexible work schedule, the prospect of being your own boss, and the ability to work on a variety of different projects.

The chapter's next networking opportunity is on Tuesday, May 21st at the Atlantic Wharf in downtown Boston. The program will include lunch and a presentation on casinos and their effect on real estate value. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in a real estate appraisal career to speak directly with seasoned appraisers.

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