The Collazo Family Scholarship

The Collazo Family Scholarship is awarded to a student of Hispanic origin (with preference to those born in Utuado, Puerto Rico or elsewhere in Puerto Rico), who is pursuing a degree in Engineering, and who is a resident of the State of Alabama.

Dr. Francisco J. Collazo established the Collazo Family Scholarship in 2007 to benefit students at the University of Alabama in Huntsville. In 1980, Dr. Collazo and his wife Carmen co-founded the COLSA Cooperation in the garage of their southeast Huntsville home. Today, with corporate headquarters in Huntsville’s Cummings Research Park, COLSA Corporation has grown to over 700 employees. Dr. Collazo earned a bachelor’s degree in Mathematics and Computer Science from the University of Texas and a master of Computer Systems Engineering from the Southeastern Institute of Technology. In May 2003, Mr. Collazo was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Science from the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

This scholarship is renewable for up to four additional years. The student must maintain a full-time course load (undergraduate - 12 credit hours, or graduate - 9 credit hours) each semester. In addition, recipients must complete a total of 24 credit hours (graduate - 18 credit hours) each academic year and have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher to be eligible for renewal. Students should submit a scholarship application every year in order to update their files and possibly be eligible for other awards.