

Association of Environmental Professionals
Superior California Chapter Scholarship Program
Frequently Asked Questions

- 1) **Are there separate applications for undergraduate and graduate students?**

No, there is one application for all students. Applicants should complete only the relevant areas of the application according to their status.

- 2) **I applied for the scholarship last year; do I need to fill out another application this year?**

Yes, you must fill out and submit a new application every year you wish to apply for an award.

- 3) **The application deadline is December 1, 2008. Does this mean my application must be postmarked or received by December 1st?**

Your application must be postmarked by December 1, 2008 to be considered for the program.

- 4) **May I submit my application packet by fax or email?**

No, you must mail your completed application packet to the following address:

AEP Scholarship Committee
Attn: Kristin Faoro
2729 Prospect Park Drive, Suite 220
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

- 5) **Do I need to submit original transcripts or will copies suffice?**

You must submit official transcripts from each college and/or university you've attended; copies will not be accepted. If you are unable to submit your official transcripts with your application, you may send them separately; however, all application materials must be post marked by December 1, 2008.

- 6) **Applicants are required to be majoring in environmental studies, environmental science or a closely related subject. What is considered a closely related subject?**

Acceptable majors other than environmental studies/science include environmental policy, environmental management, environmental planning, environmental education and environmental economics. Other closely related majors such as engineering, health science, conservation or wildlife biology, geology, geography, landscape architecture, natural resource planning, soil science, and others are acceptable if the student displays a commitment to pursuing a career in an environmental field. This commitment can be displayed through the pursuit of a minor or concentration in one of the environmental disciplines listed above, the selection of elective environmental courses, the personal statement, involvement with environmentally-related organizations, and/or related work experience.

7) Can high school seniors or college freshman and sophomores apply for the scholarship?

No, you must have junior or senior standing at a college or university to be eligible for the scholarship. This is verified through review of the applicant's transcripts.

8) I am currently enrolled in my first semester/quarter in a graduate program and do not yet have a GPA or transcripts. What should I do?

Submit your undergraduate transcripts and verification from a faculty member in your current graduate program confirming your enrollment in the program and at least six (6) units/credits.

9) Is the scholarship program open to students who are non U.S. citizens?

Yes, the scholarship program is open to non U.S. citizens.

10) I am attending an out-of-state school - am I still eligible for the scholarship?

No, students must be attending a college or university within the Superior California Chapter area which generally includes all inland northern California counties. The AEP Chapter Areas map can be found at: <http://www.califaep.org/content.asp?pid=10>

12) Do I need to be an AEP student member in order to be eligible for the scholarship?

No, you do not need to be a student member of AEP to be eligible. However, an applicant's involvement in AEP and other environmental and community organizations will be considered when selecting recipients. All scholarship award recipients will receive a free AEP student membership or membership renewal.

13) If I am selected for an award, how will I be notified and when will I receive the funds?

A member of the Scholarship Committee will contact all award recipients by phone no later than January 31, 2009. In addition, the recipient's names will be posted on the chapter website and the award will be presented to the winner at a chapter event. Recipients will receive the funds at an award ceremony, or if unable to attend, by mail within two weeks of the award ceremony.

14) How much will be awarded to each scholarship recipient?

Each year a total of \$2,000 will be awarded to the selected scholarship recipients. This total may be divided among up to four recipients for a minimum award of \$500.

15) If I received an AEP scholarship in the past, am I eligible to apply again?

Yes, all students are eligible to apply for the scholarship each year regardless of past awards received.