

Careers In Conservation Scholarship Application

Application Period closes at 5PM on JANUARY 31, 2019

Program Website - <http://ncsoilwater.org/programs/cic-scholarship/>

The NC Foundation for Soil and Water Conservation's Careers In Conservation Scholarship Program's goal is to increase the number of qualified people committed to working in the field of natural resource management thereby supporting the mission of Soil and Water Conservation Districts. Scholarship recipients will be students who are currently pursuing or have firm plans to pursue a college degree in natural resource management or other closely related fields. The Foundation's scholarship program is funded by generous donations of the Bowman family.

The Foundation plans to award merit-based scholarships up to \$5,000 per student per school year, renewable at the discretion of the Scholarship Selection Committee. The program typically awards 10 to 15 scholarships per year at \$1,000 per student. Subsequent awards are contingent upon successful academic progression. Current scholars are required to submit a new application each year.

The applicant is expected to have a declared major in the following; agronomy, agricultural engineering, agriculture sustainability, agriculture education, animal science, forestry, natural resource conservation or management, plant science, soil science, water management, water quality, wildlife management or other closely related degree programs.

The applicant must be a resident of North Carolina, attend a college in North Carolina, and have achieved academic excellence in their high school or in their undergraduate studies to date.

During the selection process, consideration will be given to superior academic accomplishments, extracurricular activities, honors and achievements obtained.

Applicant eligibility will be influenced by the amount of any scholarships previously awarded and any demonstrated financial hardships.

Priority is given to students who have advanced in their undergraduate studies to demonstrate a clear commitment to achieve a Bachelor of Science degree in a course of study consistent with skill sets needed for seeking employment in the arena of natural resource management and agriculture. Students who have completed at least 50% of their required degree credit hours will receive additional consideration.

Applicants currently enrolled in college are required to submit an official transcript of all college courses completed by the date of the application. High School transcripts are acceptable if the student has not completed a semester of college as of January 31, 2019. Transcripts are to be mailed directly from the college or high school to the Foundation office. Applications will not be reviewed until a transcript is received.

Interviews may be held with qualifying applicants before a final decision is made by the Scholarship Selection Committee. Awards will be made in April 2019.

Prior to awarding the scholarship, the recipient must be classified as a full-time college student. Funds will be deposited with the college's financial aid office for payment of eligible expenses.

Applicants may submit up to three letters of recommendation. A support letter from your Soil and Water Conservation District board is encouraged. Letters should be submitted from the letter writer to Michelle Lovejoy directly by email or mail.

Michelle Lovejoy ncfswc@gmail.com or 919-510-4599
NC Foundation for Soil and Water Conservation
5171 Glenwood Avenue, Suite 330, Raleigh NC 27612



Your email

Select your county of primary resident *

Choose ▼

First Name of Applicant *

Your answer

Last Name of Applicant *

Your answer

Home Street Address *

Your answer

Home Town *

Your answer

Zip Code *

Your answer

Mother's Name *

Your answer

Father's Name *

Your answer

Telephone Number of Applicant * Your answer



Best Email Address of Applicant *

Your answer

Select your current status. Note if you are not currently a High School Senior you are not eligible to apply this year. *

- High School Senior
- College Freshman
- College Sophomore
- College Junior
- College Senior
- Graduate Student

Name of High School applicant is or will graduate from. *

Your answer

Name of College applicant is enrolled in. Put NA if you have not been accepted yet.

Your answer

High School Class Rank *

Your answer

SAT Scores or ACT Scores & date of examination *

Your answer

List any previous colleges attended to date, including start and end dates. If you have not started college, indicate the date you plan to start college and your first choice. If you have a gap in years, please explain. *

Your answer

List any college classes (or high school if no college record) completed for your major. Please do not include general education required classes. *



Your answer

List school related extra-curricular activities by organization name and positions held, starting with most current. For example FFA Chapter President *

Your answer

List all school related awards received, starting with the most current. For example Dean's List Fall 2018 *

Your answer

Describe any research related projects you are actively engaged in, starting with the most current. *

Your answer

List any community service activities you have participated in by organization name, starting with the most current. For example Habitat for Humanity. *

Your answer

Provide your employment history for the last four years including start and end dates, company name, and job title; starting with the most current. *

Your answer

Describe any farming or agribusiness related activities you are engaged in and your level of participation. For example -Farmers Market stand worker; Farm worker on row crop operation; Show animals through 4H *

Your answer

Describe any lessons learned from the farming or agribusiness enterprise that enhanced your interest in pursuing a college degree in a related field. *

Your answer



Describe any Soil & Water Conservation District programs you or your family have participated in. For example; Resource Conservation Workshop attendee, Envirothon Team member, EQIP contract on family farm.

Your answer

Share your career aspirations including what degree you are pursuing. *

Your answer

List any other scholarships and amount you will receive in the 2019 year.

Your answer

List the estimated total direct cost for your upcoming academic career. *

Your answer

List the total estimated financial resources available to you including family resources. *

Your answer

List the remaining financial support needed to fund your Fall 2019 and Spring 2020 school years. *

Your answer

Optional - List any financial hardships that you or your family is dealing with that you think is important for the Scholarship Committee to know. Any responses will not be shared outside of the committee review process.

Your answer



Optional - Is there any other information you would like to share with the selection committee?

Your answer

Affirmation Statement - All information given in this application, to the best of my knowledge, is accurate and truthful. It is my understanding that in order to receive the scholarship I must remain in good academic standing. I will provide my academic records for the scholarship selection process and during the time frame of awarded scholarships. *

- I do not agree to comply with the affirmation statement.
- I agree to comply with the affirmation statement.

Transcripts - Applicants currently enrolled in college are required to submit an official current transcript of all college courses completed by the date of the application. High School transcripts are acceptable if the student has not completed a semester of college as of January 31, 2019. Transcripts are to be mailed directly from the college or high school to the Foundation office at 5171 Glenwood Avenue, Suite 330, Raleigh NC 27612. Applications will not be reviewed until a transcript is received. *

- I do not agree to submit a transcript
- I agree to submit a transcript and understand that my application will not be reviewed until a transcript is received.

Optional - An applicant is eligible to submit up to three letters of recommendations. A supporting letter from your Soil and Water Conservation District board is encouraged. Letters should be submitted from the letter writer to Michelle Lovejoy directly either by email to ncfswc@gmail.com or by mail to NC Foundation for Soil and Water Conservation, 5171 Glenwood Avenue Suite 330, Raleigh NC 27612. *

- Yes I will submit recommendation letters
- No I will not submit recommendation letters

A copy of your responses will be emailed to the address you provided.

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