



# Scholarship Program

## **PURPOSE AND SCOPE**

AZ Water will award \$12,500 in scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students at Arizona colleges and universities pursuing studies related to water, wastewater, or environmental resources.

## **BACKGROUND**

The AZ Water Association (AZ Water) is a nonprofit educational organization founded in 1928 with a membership of more than 3,000 water and wastewater professionals dedicated to preserving and enhancing Arizona's water environment. The vision of AZ Water is to be the *recognized advocate for enhancing Arizona's water and environmental resources.*

## **SELECTION COMMITTEE**

The selection committee consists of members of the Young Professionals Committee who review the submitted applications after verifying there are no conflicts of interest.

## **GENERAL CRITERIA**

Applicants must be students during the 2010 academic year. U.S. citizenship is not a requirement.

The AZ Water annual scholarship judging takes into consideration the experience and interest of the students as well as their academic status (graduate, undergraduate, etc.) and students will be judged against their peers. In order to maintain fairness and equal opportunity, applicants categorized by academic level, ensuring that all disciplines and degree of experience are treated equally.

Applications will be judged based on the following criteria:

- Demonstrated achievement in chosen area of study.
- Understanding of a pertinent water issue in Arizona.
- Applicability of personal history and future plans.
- Creativity and writing ability.

## **NOMINATION PROCESS**

To apply for the 2010 AZ Water Scholarship, please submit the following:

1. A completed online Scholarship Application.



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2. A unique (not previously submitted) two page (or less) written description of your interest in an Arizona-related water issue and how your personal history and planned future relate to that issue. (Space is provided on the application).

**APPLICATIONS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED ONLINE ONLY**

## **AWARD PRESENTATION**

AZ Water Scholarship recipients represent the future of Arizona's water and wastewater systems. They are a bright group of driven individuals who plan to pursue careers related to water. Recipients are recognized during the lunch program of the Annual AZ Water Conference and receive recognition from the assembled members.