

2023-24 WASHINGTON STATE SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FORESTER'S FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION & INSTRUCTIONS

The Washington State Society of American Foresters (WSSAF) is accepting scholarship applications from students pursuing a degree in forestry. The scholarship is available to individuals who will be attending full time during the 2023–24 school year in forestry program at one of the following schools:

- University of Washington, Seattle
- Washington State University, Pullman
- Green River College
- Spokane Community College
- Grays Harbor College
- Washington State residents attending an SAF-accredited program (outside of Washington State) in professional forestry or forest technology

The application must be sponsored by a member of the SAF.

The successful applicant(s) will be awarded a minimum of \$1,000, receive complimentary registration to the 2023 WSSAF Annual Meeting and a complimentary one-year student membership to SAF. To receive payment, the successful applicant will be required to submit an enrollment verification form to the WSSAF.

The Society of American Foresters (SAF) is the national scientific and educational organization representing the forestry profession in the United States. Founded in 1900 by Gifford Pinchot, it is the largest professional society for foresters in the world.

The mission of the Society of American Foresters is to advance the science, education, technology, and practice of forestry; to enhance the competency of its members; to establish professional excellence; and, to use the knowledge, skills, and conservation ethic of the profession to ensure the continued health and use of forest ecosystems and the present and future availability of forest resources to benefit society.

The SAF is a nonprofit organization meeting the requirements of 501(c)(3). SAF members include natural resource professionals in public and private settings, researchers, CEOs, administrators, educators, and students.

Requirements: Complete the application form (below) along with the additional requested documents and e-email the scholarship package to: Chuck Lorenz cwlsaf@yahoo.com. The documents should be received no later than March 1, 2023. A receipt of application will be sent by March 10, 2023. The successful applicant(s) will be announced at the 2023 WSSAF Annual Meeting.

Additional copies of the application form are available at: <https://forestry.org/wssaf-foundation-scholarship/>.

2023-24 WSSAF FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Applicant Name:		Date:	
Address:		City/State/Zip:	
E-Mail Address:			
Daytime Phone:			

1. Name, address and program of the college or university you plan to attend or are attending:

Name:

Address:

Program:

Major:

Student ID (if available):

Have you contacted this school's representative about your desired program? Yes

No

Have you been accepted? Yes No

Are you a Student SAF Member Yes No

2. Name and telephone number of a SAF member sponsoring your application:

Any current member of the SAF is eligible to sponsor your scholarship application. You are encouraged to contact the SAF Northwest Office (wattsa@forestry.org) for information regarding local member contacts.

3. Provide a one-page letter of reference from an individual (can be the same person identified in Item 2) that can comment on your potential for success in the forestry profession.
4. Provide a copy of your college transcripts (or high school GPA and relevant forestry coursework if you are applying as a college freshman).
5. While this scholarship is not exclusively need based, financial need is considered. Please answer the following questions:

Please explain any extenuating circumstances (financial or other), that have inhibited your educational progress (no more than one page).

Have you filed a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)?

Yes No

If yes, do you have unmet financial need? Yes No

Do you give us permission to contact your educational institution to verify your need? Yes No

6. Provide a 2-5 page essay that describes in detail a personal statement about your plans and goals related to a career in forestry. Describe your experiences and involvement in areas in which you have exhibited leadership, community involvement, personal development, and initiative, and how these experiences will help you achieve your career in forestry.
7. If you have any questions please contact: Chuck Lorenz, CF at either (360) 951-0117, PO Box 4031, Tumwater, WA 98501, or at cwlsaf@yahoo.com

By submitting this application, I hereby certify that the above and attached statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Name (printed and signed)

Date