



Montana Geological Society

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Montana Geological Society 2011-2012 Annual Scholarship Program

Purpose

The Montana Geological Society (MGS) is a non-profit organization with the objective "to promote interest and research in geology and allied sciences and their practical application, and to encourage fellowship and cooperation among the members." To these means this annual award is designed to provide financial support of a student dissertation, thesis, or senior project concerning Montana geology and to provide a venue for students to present their work to geology professionals in Montana.

Award

A scholarship in the amount of **\$2000** will be awarded each year to the most qualified applicant. The successful applicant agrees to present the results of his or her research at a luncheon meeting of the MGS in Billings, MT, and will receive reimbursement for travel expenses to and from Billings above and beyond the scholarship amount.

Basis of Award

All projects will be reviewed by a committee composed of Officers and Board Members of the MGS. The award will be made based on project merit, difficulty, and innovativeness which is appropriate for the applicant's educational level. The award will only be made to a fully qualified and deserving applicant, as determined by the board.

Eligibility

All applicants are required to be full time students working toward a BA, BS, MS, or Ph.D degree in an accredited geology or earth science program at a Montana college or university.

Application

Applicants must submit **1.)** a letter of interest with a summary of qualifications (GPA, application of research, etc.) along with name, mailing address, email address, and phone number. **2.)** a one page summary of their approved thesis/project proposal along with an advisor's signature **3.)** a work flow timeline and an estimated itemized annual budget which specifies where the funds from this award will be applied.

Dates

Application packets must be received in full, post marked no later than **February 1st**, addressed to: Montana Geological Society - PO Box 844 - Billings, MT 59103. Awards will be announced and payment made in the form of a check to the successful applicant, no later than **April 1st**.