



**Society of Women
Environmental Professionals
New Jersey Chapter**

2024 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
Open to Undergraduate and Graduate Students

The New Jersey Chapter of the Society of Women Environmental Professionals ("NJSWEP") is pleased to announce the continuation of the NJSWEP Scholarship Program in 2024. The purpose of the Scholarship Program is to encourage women to pursue careers in an environmental field, to mentor undergraduate and graduate students who are majoring in environmental and related subjects, and to provide students with opportunities to connect with NJSWEP members for future internships and careers in the environmental industry.

A scholarship applicant must be an individual identifying as a woman and be either an undergraduate or graduate student attending an accredited New Jersey College or University. The undergraduate student must be entering their junior or senior year in the Fall of 2024 or will complete 60 credit hours as of September 2024. The graduate student must either start or continue their graduate studies related to the environment, such as science, policy, or law, in the Fall of 2024. A declared major in a field related to the environment is required.

Each scholarship award will be **\$3,500** and includes free membership in NJSWEP for the duration of 2024. Scholarship money will be awarded to two graduate students and two undergraduate students.

Applications must be received by **April 12, 2024**. The NJSWEP Scholarship Committee will be announcing the scholarship award recipients in May 2024 and will present the awards at the NJSWEP 16th Annual Gala (date to be determined). Immediate family members of NJSWEP Board of Directors or NJSWEP Scholarship Selection Committee are not eligible to apply.

For questions or additional information contact Emily Bausher, Scholarship Chair, at scholarship@njswep.org (please include "NJSWEP Scholarship" and your full name in the subject line of the email).

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS

The application form can be accessed here: <https://forms.gle/LECDBqHjAZKWKdyD7>

Please note, that your progress through the application form cannot be saved, so we recommend completing the applicable application fields in a separate document and uploading them in one sitting. For your convenience, we have presented the required contents of the application below.



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Personal Information

- Full Name
- Email Address
- Daytime Phone Number
- Permanent Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code)¹
- Current Occupation, Occupational Objective after Graduation, and/or Academic Major

University/College Information

- Are you applying for the undergraduate or the graduate scholarship? (select one)
- Name of College/University
- State of College/University
- Start Date of Higher Education
- Present Status (e.g. Sophomore)
- Expected Date of Graduation
- Degree
- Major(s)
- Minor(s)

Academic/Research Advisor Information

- Advisor Name
- Advisor School/Organization Name
- Advisor Department
- Advisor Email Address

Resume/Curriculum Vitae

- Please upload your Resume or Curriculum Vitae.

Un-Doctored Unofficial Transcript

- Please upload an un-doctored unofficial copy of your transcript.

Personal Essay

- Please provide a 250-word typed essay that expresses why you are interested in pursuing a career in an environmental field. It should be a statement of your educational plans and career objectives, demonstrating interest in an appropriate field or endeavor.

Project Summary

- Please provide a summary (300 word maximum) of either an environmental project that you have completed (or is in progress); or a description of a work experience or volunteer project related to the environment.

¹ State of residency is not determinative of eligibility.



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Letters of Recommendation

- Please provide two (2) letters of recommendation from non-family members, including at least one academic letter of recommendation. The letters should be no longer than one page each and address (if appropriate):
 - a. Academic achievement
 - b. Work experience
 - c. Personal character
 - d. Commitment to chosen field of study
- Letters of recommendation must be submitted via the form below by the recommenders, must contain the applicant's name within the document title, and must be in a signed .pdf format (*you may share this link with your recommenders*):
<https://forms.gle/r9SNY2pCEA1wZYrT9>
- Please have your references contact Emily Bausher, Scholarship Chair, at scholarship@njswep.org should they have issues submitting their recommendations.

Eligibility Certification

1. I am an individual identifying as a woman.
2. I am currently:
 - a. Enrolled at an accredited college or university located in New Jersey
3. As of September 2024, I will:
 - a. Have completed 60 credit hours or the equivalent (entering into junior or senior year) and will be matriculated as an undergraduate student at an accredited college or university; OR
 - b. Be matriculated as a graduate student at an accredited college or university.
4. I have a declared major in a field related to the environment.
5. I have submitted a complete scholarship application and all of its required components including an un-doctored unofficial copy of my transcript, by Friday, **April 12, 2024**.
6. If called upon, I will be available for an interview conducted by NJSWEP representatives.
7. I am not an immediate family member of a member of the NJSWEP Board of Directors, or NJSWEP Scholarship Selection Committee.

Thank you for your interest in the NJSWEP Scholarship Program!