

SCAUG MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Continuing Education for GIS Professionals in the South Central United States

What is the Scholarship?

The South Central Arc User Group (SCAUG) Memorial Scholarship has been created to:

- encourage the goals of professionals who are working toward their undergraduate or graduate degree in a geospatial science.
- promote and support the increase of knowledge and proficiency of geospatial sciences in the south central region.
- recognize and encourage scholastic and professional accomplishments in the geospatial sciences.

Why was the Scholarship created?

The Memorial Scholarship is a mechanism to honor the individuals who have passed and who had passionately displayed a sincere appreciation towards the committed progress of the GIS professional over the years. The dedicated contributions made through supporting continuing education, volunteering time, and providing mentorships to the geospatial community to ensure the unbiased professional growth will always be remembered. The impact cannot be measured in the tangible but rather in the lives they changed forever.

How is the Scholarship Funded?

The SCAUG Memorial Scholarship is funded by the SCAUG annual events and contributions from the private community.

What are the benefits of the scholarship?

- One Scholarship of \$1,000 will be awarded.
- Scholarships will be applied to student accounts to offset educational expenses.
- Complimentary registration to the 2023 Regional Conference.

How will the recipients be selected?

The scholarship recipients will be selected by the SCAUG officers. Selection will be based on merit and meeting eligibility requirements as outlined in the application. Scholarships will only be awarded if applicants are deemed worthy by the SCAUG officers.

When will the scholarships be awarded?

The application deadline is Friday, January 19, 2024. Recipients will be notified by February 23, 2024.

How will the scholarships be presented?

The scholarship winners will be contacted by email announcing their award. An announcement of the scholarship winners will be made during the 2024 Regional Conference.

How do I apply?

Submit a complete application to the SCAUG Vice President by January 19, 2024.

A complete application includes:

- Application form.
- Official transcript of current undergraduate or graduate educational courses.
- Confirmation letter from Department Chair of enrollment in a geospatial related program at a recognized university, community college, or technical institution in the SCAUG region on official letterhead.
- One original signed letter of recommendation by a faculty member on official letterhead.
- One original signed letter of recommendation by a peer or current supervisor.
- A one page statement (single-spaced) from the professional outlining specific education and professional goals and outstanding accomplishments.
- All documents must be emailed to vicepresident@scaug.org. Letters of recommendations need to be attached as an attachment to the email. Please include SCAUG Scholarship and the name of the applicant in all email subject lines. All email submissions must be received by application deadline to be considered.

Eligibility

- Applicant must be a registered student, in good standing, in a recognized university, community college, or technical institute in the SCAUG region.
- Applicant must be a current professional working 35 40 hours a week in the geospatial field in the SCAUG region.
- Must be a current SCAUG member for at least one year.
- Applicant must be enrolled in a course of study in the field of geospatial sciences for the current and upcoming semester (not graduating in May 2023 or June/July 2024).
- Applicant may not be a past recipient.

Applicants <u>must</u> include a Scholarship Application Form which can be found on the following page or the SCAUG Website (www.scaug.org). Only applicants who meet <u>ALL REQUIREMENTS</u> will be considered. Questions will only be answered via email: <u>vicepresident@scaug.org</u>

Deadline - January 19, 2024

Email Submissions to: SCAUG SCHOLARSHIP - Applicant's Name vicepresident@scaug.org



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| First Name: | Last Name:Years at Current Job: | | |
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| Current Employer: | | | _ |
| Academic Institution: | | GPA: | |
| Highest Education Earned: | | | _ |
| Address: | | | |
| City: | State: | Zip: | _ |
| Phone: | Email: | | |

Please check that all required documentation is included with your application:

- This Application Form.
- Official transcript of current undergraduate or graduate educational courses.
- Confirmation from Department Chair of enrollment in a geospatial related program at a recognized university, community college, or technical institution in the SCAUG region on official letterhead.
- One original signed letter of recommendation by a faculty member on official letterhead.
- One original signed letter of recommendation by a peer or current supervisor.
- A one page statement (single-spaced) from you outlining your interest in geospatial technology, specific educational and professional goals, and any distinguishing experiences or accomplishments.

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Receipt of your application will be acknowledged via e-mail only. You are encouraged to keep a copy of your application, as the original will not be returned to you. Decisions regarding scholarships are made by the SCAUG officers and will be final. Recipients will be notified by February 23, 2024. Recipients will be acknowledged during the 2024 Regional Conference. Questions will only be answered via email: vicepresident@scaug.org

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