

Huxley College of the Environment Scholarships

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I. Process

Applicants must be a Huxley College undergraduate student unless otherwise stated.

Applications for the scholarships listed below require completion of the Huxley College scholarship application available online or at college office (ES-539). Applications submitted are kept on file for a year and reviewed for future opportunities.

Applications will be accepted through the last day of winter quarter. Generally scholarships will be awarded spring quarter for distribution in fall and winter quarters the next academic year. Award amounts may vary from year to year and are subject to funds availability.

Huxley College sometimes also offers scholarships with special application procedures and due dates. These opportunities will be announced via the Huxley College Student List Serve.

Contact information:

Huxley College Office (ES 539)

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Phone (360) 650-3520

<http://www.wwu.edu/huxley/alumni/scholarships.shtml>

II. Scholarship listing:

Congressman Al Swift Scholarship

This endowed scholarship was established in 1995 to recognize Al Swift's 16 years of leadership on behalf of positive environmental policy in the U.S. House of Representatives.

- Scholarship-Specific Criteria:
 - GPA of 3.0 or higher.

American Water Works Association Scholarship

This annual scholarship was established in 2001 and is awarded for tuition and books only.

- Scholarship-Specific Criteria:
 - Huxley College graduate or undergraduate student in Environmental Science.
 - Permanent residence in one of the following counties represented by the NW Washington subsection: Whatcom, Skagit, Island, Snohomish, Jefferson, Clallam, or San Juan Counties.
 - Statement should include outlining goal of applying degree in water/wastewater field.
 - Current or previous work experience in the field preferred with special consideration given to those currently employed in water/wastewater field.
 - Recipient to attend Subsection Board Meeting to discuss how scholarship will help reach educational and professional goals.

Bess Fosse Scholarship in Environmental Studies

This annual scholarship was established in 2002 by Bess Fosse's grandson in her memory.

Bess Fosse (1905-1993) lived in Northeast Iowa, was a longtime member of the Audubon Society, and loved walking in the woods by her family's lake home. In the 1950s, taught her grandchildren to appreciate nature, eat wholesome foods and conserve natural resources "so there will be something for your grandchildren."

- Scholarship-Specific Criteria:
 - Financial need may be considered.
 - Statement should include a description of career plans and how those plans will have a positive impact on the environment.

The Boeing Company

This annual scholarship was established in 2008 by The Boeing Company which has been a long time supporter of Western Washington University students and higher education. Boeing hires graduates from a range of academic disciplines and employs graduates in the environmentally-related career areas.

- Scholarship-Specific Criteria:
 - Junior class standing.
 - GPA of 3.3 or higher.
 - Financial need.
 - Preference would be given to a diverse candidate, and/or a candidate who has an interest in employment at Boeing.

Cecil William Westman Scholarship

This endowed scholarship was established in 1995 and honors Cecil William Westman by supporting “students who are learning how to care for our precious earth.” One of the joys of Westman’s life was trout fishing and knapsacking in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. It saddened him to hear of the damage done by too many people.”

- Scholarship-Specific Criteria:
 - Statement should include outlining commitment to conservation of public land and preservation of the natural environment and applicant’s related career plans.

Chuckanut District Garden Club/Mary Ruggles Scholarship

This annual scholarship was established in 1971 by The Chuckanut District Garden Club comprised of garden clubs in Whatcom, Skagit, and Island counties and is awarded to deserving Huxley College students.

- Scholarship-Specific Criteria:
 - GPA of 3.0 or higher.
 - Financial need.
 - Statement should include a description of applicant’s community involvement.

Gary Gray Memorial Scholarship

This endowed scholarship was established in 1991 and honors the legacy and personal goals of Gary Gray, a Huxley College student who lost his life in an avalanche on Mt. Baker. The scholarship is intended for an Environmental Studies/Journalism major with a desire to fulfill the mission of environmental photography as defined by Gray: “The environmental photographer’s goal is to reawaken the environmental consciousness we, as humans, all inherit.”

- Scholarship-Specific Criteria:
 - Huxley College undergraduate student majoring in environmental journalism with special interest, aptitude, and aspiration in photography.
 - Statement should include
 - Applicant’s plans to use photography as a tool for environmental advocacy.
 - Mention of Gary Gray articles from 1991 issues of The Planet. Articles available in ES 539.
 - Portfolio of photographs.

IEME Scholarship

This annual scholarship was established in 2006 by IEME to aid students studying emergency management planning at Huxley College.

- Scholarship-Specific Criteria:
 - Huxley College undergraduate student enrolled in the Planning and Environmental Policy - Disaster Reduction and Emergency Planning Emphasis major.
 - Statement should include an outline of applicant’s interest in the emergency management field.

John D. Spromberg Opportunity Scholarship

This scholarship targets outstanding academic candidate pursuing a degree in environmental science who is the first generation in family to pursue a college degree or who is from an underrepresented population. This scholarship was created by Julann Spromberg to honor her father. **DUE October 29, 2010.**

- Scholarship-Specific Criteria:
 - Huxley College undergraduate student enrolled Environmental Science.
 - A one-page essay describing why they have chosen this path and how it.

Richard Brian Whitmire Memorial Scholarship

This endowed scholarship was established in 1985 in memory of Richard Brian Whitmire, a Huxley College student whose focus was terrestrial ecosystems. Whitmire worked in reforestation for six years prior to coming to Huxley College.

- Scholarship-Specific Criteria:
 - Huxley College undergraduate student in Environmental Science.
 - Senior standing (135 credits) by fall quarter of academic year of award.
 - GPA of 3.0 or higher.
 - Financial need.
 - Statement should include a description of applicant’s emphasis in terrestrial ecology.

Washington State Federation of Garden Clubs Scholarship

This annual scholarship was established in 1973 by the State Federation of Garden Clubs, which comprises all local and regional garden clubs in Washington.

- Scholarship-Specific Criteria:
 - GPA of 3.0 or higher.
 - Legal resident of Washington State.
 - Financial need.
 - Statement should include a description of applicant's community service, good character, and demonstrated ability.

III. Other Huxley College scholarships opportunities

Aaron Edward Gastellum Memorial Scholarship (Applications processed by Honors Program)

This annual endowed scholarship was established in August 1997 to honor Aaron Gastellum, who was a highly promising student in the Honors Program and Huxley College and passed away suddenly. It is in his memory, that the Honors Program conjointly with Huxley College established an award for a undergraduate major or graduate student enrolled in either of these programs. Candidates should demonstrate a deep commitment to the solution of environmental problems, a strong sense of service to others and personal virtues of sincerity, integrity and humor

- Scholarship-Specific Criteria:
 - Statement on solving environmental problems.
 - Academic paper or project.
 - Resume.
 - Letters of recommendation.

Contact: Honors Program office (CH 204) or Honors Program Office, Miller Hall 228, (360) 650-3034.

Ernst Gayden Grant

(Applications processed by Huxley College Environmental Studies department)

This annual scholarship was established in August 1999 to honor the memory of Ernst Gayden and carries forth his interdisciplinary and integrative work in key areas of human ecology and sustainable development, including: sustainable human settlement, agriculture and food systems, alternative energy technologies and design, environmental planning, urban and rural sustainable community development, global awareness, and international study.

- Scholarship-Specific Criteria:
 - Open to Huxley Faculty, Staff and Enrolled full-time undergraduate or graduate Huxley students.
 - Written proposals that contribute to knowledge in any of the afore-mentioned areas.
 - Projects that further the transformative potential of faculty and student work are especially encouraged.
 - Student global learning and international studies
 - Inspirational lecture series
 - Faculty initiatives fostering integrated curriculum development
 - Faculty-student partnerships
 - Applied studies fostering integrative approaches to sustainable community development.

Contact: Huxley College of the Environment, Environmental Studies department (AH-217), (360) 650-3277

Patrick Monahan Endowment

(Applications processed by Huxley College Environmental Studies department)

This annual endowed scholarship was established in 1974 in memory of Patrick L. Monahan, son of Western Professor Emeritus Robert Monahan and Marilyn Monahan. The fund was made possible by gifts from friends and the family of Patrick Monahan and geography graduates.

- Scholarship-Specific Criteria:
 - Huxley College undergraduate student in the Geography major.
 - Demonstrate promise of significant professional contributions.
 - Two letters of recommendation are required for incoming transfer students.

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