

**Huxley College of the Environment Scholarships**  
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**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.

### **Rocky Spencer Memorial Scholarship**

This annual scholarship was established in 2007 to honor the memory of Rocky Spencer, a noted conservation biologist who worked for the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife and was killed in an accident in September of 2007. This scholarship will be awarded to a student who is preparing for a career in the field of wildlife biology.

- Scholarship-Specific Criteria
  - Huxley College undergraduate or graduate student in Environmental Science.
  - Statement should include the applicant's focus of study as it relates to the field of wildlife biology.

### **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.

### **Western Washington University Foundation Business Forum**

This annual scholarship was established is funded through the Western Washington University Foundation Business Forums held annually in Seattle and Bellingham. Corporate sponsorships provide scholarship funds.

- Scholarship-Specific Criteria:
  - Varies from year to year for 2009-10 preference would be given to a diverse candidate and/or a candidate who has an interest in the Huxley College Environmental Studies, Urban planning emphasis.