

ENVIRONMENTAL DIVISION AND VEOLIA SCHOLARSHIP

Guidelines & Procedures

OVERVIEW

The Environmental Division of the Society for Mining, Metallurgy & Exploration annually awards scholarships to promising college students who have chosen the field of mining and the environment as a career path. The Environmental Division Scholarship is open to undergraduate and graduate students.

Environmental Division Scholarship applicants may also be considered for a scholarship sponsored by Veolia. To be considered for the Veolia Scholarship, applicants must submit a short essay (approximately 250 words) explaining why water is an essential part of the mining process.

TIMELINE

The Environmental Division scholarships adhere to the following timeline:

Date	Task
September 1 - October 15	Applications accepted
October 1	Application initiation deadline – (Note: All applications should be initiated by this date to allow plenty of time for receipt of letters of recommendation prior to the October 15 deadline.)
October 15	Application deadline
December 1	Selection deadline
December 2	Applicant notification
December 15	Check(s) mailed
SME Annual Conference & Expo	Recipient(s) are recognized at the Environmental Division Luncheon

APPLICANT QUALIFICATIONS

Applicants to the Environmental Division Scholarship must meet these minimum requirements:

1. Have chosen a study program related to the field of mining and the environment.
2. Have completed at least two years of undergraduate studies with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0.
3. Is an SME student member in good standing.
4. Attends a school that is (1) ABET accredited, OR (2) has an SME Student Chapter, OR (3) offers a B.S., B.A., or Ph.D. in Geological Sciences, Environmental Sciences, Mining or Environmental Engineering.
5. Short Statement (1 Page) describing your interest/passion for a career in mining and the environment.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Environmental Division Scholarship applications must be submitted online via SME's scholarship portal at smenet.org/scholarships. The online application requires the following information:

1. Demographic and contact information.
2. Short statement (one page) describing applicant's interest in/passion for a career in mining and the environment.
3. Two references, one from university faculty and one from an appropriate industry professional.
4. Resume detailing past education and work experience.
5. Copy of most recent transcript (unofficial transcripts are OK).
6. Anticipated expenses/income for the current academic year.

In addition to these requirements, applicants to the Veolia Scholarship must also submit a short essay (approximately 250 words) explaining why water is an essential part of the mining process.

RECIPIENT SELECTION

Selection of scholarship recipients is at the discretion of SME's Environmental Division Scholarship Committee. The top applications are to be sent to Veolia for approval of the Veolia Scholarship recipient.

AWARD

The amounts and numbers of awards given annually are determined by the Environmental Division Scholarship Committee. The Environmental Division Scholarship Committee reserves the right to change the scholarship amounts based on application turnout, application quality, and available funds.

QUESTIONS

Questions may be directed to:

SME Scholarship Coordinator at scholarships@smenet.org or SME Member Services Department at 303-948-4200.