The UCA Young Member Scholarships are for students to attend the Cutting Edge Conference. This conference is dedicated to the exchange of new developments in the technology and innovation in underground construction and tunneling.

Attendance scholarships provide selected students with an opportunity to attend Cutting Edge so they can experience first-hand the challenges, opportunities, and rewards of a career in the field of tunneling and underground construction.

The goals of the UCAYM Scholarships are to increase exposure of available career opportunities in the underground industry and provide educational and networking opportunities to future underground industry professionals.

Scholarship recipients will receive:

- A one-year student membership to UCA
- Conference registration with access to the technical sessions and exhibits
- Invitation to the UCA Young Member networking event and orientation
- $1,000 travel reimbursement to the conference (these funds are intended to cover travel costs associated with the conference, and recipients will need to provide an expense account following the conference)

All UCA Young Member Scholarship Attendance applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Graduate students or undergraduate having completed at least two years of undergraduate studies with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5
- Attend a school that is ABET-accredited
- Pursuing a BS, MS, or PhD degree in Tunneling, Civil, Geological, Mining, or Mechanical Engineering
- Demonstrate a desire for and a probability of success in a career in underground construction/tunneling

Applications must be submitted online and include:

- Online application
- Resume detailing past education and work experience
- Copy of most recent transcript (unofficial transcripts are acceptable).

Questions regarding the Cutting Edge Attendance Scholarship may be directed to: scholarships@smenet.org or Customer Service 303-948-4200