



SYD S. AND FELICIA F. PENG GROUND CONTROL IN MINING SCHOLARSHIP

Guidelines & Procedures

OVERVIEW

The Syd S. and Felicia F. Peng Ground Control in Mining Scholarship (Peng Scholarship) was established in 2009 to promote the science of ground control. Trends in the mining engineering profession indicate that a shortage of competent ground control engineers exists. To help remedy this situation and promote the ground control engineering discipline, graduate scholarships will be awarded annually to encourage the development of ground control engineers.

TIMELINE

The Peng Scholarship adheres 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 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 SME Foundation Dinner

APPLICANT QUALIFICATIONS

Peng Scholarship applicants must meet the following criteria:

1. Attend a school in a graduate program that is [ABET](#) accredited and/or has an [SME student chapter](#).
2. Demonstrate a desire for and a probability of success in a career in the minerals industry.
3. Be an SME student member in good standing OR have SME membership in progress, the first year of which will be paid for by the Peng Endowment.
4. Shall be studying mining engineering or an equivalent degree and have a research topic related to a ground control issue.
5. U.S. citizens preferred. Non-U.S. citizens may be considered.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Peng Scholarship applications must be submitted online via SME's scholarship portal smenet.org/students/grants-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/ground control.
3. Graduate Thesis or Dissertation title and expanded abstract.
4. Two letters of reference, at least one of which must be from university faculty.
5. Résumé detailing past education and work experience.
6. Copy of most recent transcript (unofficial transcripts are okay).
7. Anticipated expenses/income for the current academic year.

RECIPIENT SELECTION

Selection is made by the Peng Scholarship Committee and is based on a combination of financial need and academic promise.

AWARD

The amount of the scholarship is determined annually based on a recommendation from the Scholarship Committee Chairman. The minimum amount of each scholarship awarded is \$5,000.

QUESTIONS

Questions may be directed to:

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