



Mining & Exploration Division Scholarship and Eugene P. Pfeider Memorial Scholarship Guidelines and Procedures

Overview

The Mining & Exploration (M&E) Division of the Society for Mining, Metallurgy, and Exploration annually awards scholarships to promising college students who have chosen as a career path the field of mining engineering. Applicants must be majoring in mining, geology, or other field of specialization covered by the M&E Division's technical unit committees (Environmental Control & Reclamation, Geochemistry, Geology, Geomechanics, Geophysics, Hydrology, Open Pit Mining, Operations Research, Solution Mining, Underground Mining, and Underground Ventilation).

The Eugene P. Pfeider Memorial Scholarship is administered by the Mining & Exploration Division and is awarded on an annual basis to students pursuing careers in mining engineering.

Eligible students may submit one application in consideration for both of these scholarships.

Timeline

The M&E/Pfeider 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 30	Application deadline
December 1	Selection deadline
December 15	Applicant notification deadline
January 15	Check(s) mailed to department heads
SME Annual Meeting	Recipient(s) recognized at M&E Division Luncheon

Applicant Qualifications

M&E/Pfeider Scholarship applicants must meet the following criteria:

1. Have completed at least two years of undergraduate studies with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50.
2. Be an SME student member in good standing.
3. Attend a school that is ABET accredited and/or has an SME student chapter.
4. Demonstrate a desire for and a probability of success in a career in the mining/minerals industry.

Application Requirements

M&E/Pfeider Scholarship applications must be submitted online via SME's Scholarship portal. 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 the mining/minerals industry.
3. Two references, one from university faculty and one from an appropriate industry professional.
4. Résumé 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.

Recipient Selection

Selection is made by the Mining & Exploration Division Scholarship Committee and is based on a combination of financial need and academic promise.

Award

Up to four scholarships may be awarded annually at \$1,500 each. The total amount shall not exceed \$6,000 per year without approval of the M&E Division Executive Committee.

Questions

Questions may be directed to:
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