

Steven C. Potter Scholarship Guidelines and Procedures

Overview

Steven C. Potter was a well-respected, well-liked, and highly successful economic geologist who worked his entire career in pursuit of discoveries, largely across North and South America, for companies such as Ranchers Development, Homestake, Bear Creek Mining, Kennecott Exploration, and BHP Billiton, in addition to several successful junior exploration groups. He integrated the science of geology with a strong business sense and a persuasive logic for communicating his recommendations to peers and business associates. One of Steve Potter's last professional activities was his key role in evaluating projects and aiding in project planning of exploration projects for Galway Resources, Inc.

The Steven C. Potter Scholarship (Potter Scholarship) is to be awarded annually to a graduate student who is an SME student member, and whose thesis is directed toward furthering the understanding of ore deposit systems and their formation, geologic mapping and analysis of an ore deposit or mining district, or developing concepts or tools that may be used in the discovery of ore deposits.

Timeline

The Potter 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 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 recipient(s)
SME Annual Meeting	Recipient(s) recognized at M&E Division Luncheon

Applicant Qualifications

Potter Scholarship applicants must meet the following criteria:

1. Have completed at least two years of undergraduate studies with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0.
2. Be an SME student member in good standing.
3. Be enrolled in an ABET-accredited minerals-related program or a recognized geology program, offering courses in economic geology or mining geology.
4. Demonstrate a desire for and a probability of success in a career in the minerals industry.

Application Requirements

Potter 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 mining.
3. Two letters of reference, at least one of which must be from university faculty.
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 is made by the Mining & Exploration Division Scholarship Committee and is based on a combination of financial need and academic promise.

Selection

Award

A minimum award of \$2,500 will be presented annually. In addition to the scholarship, Galway Resources will provide a three-month, paid internship for the scholarship recipient to allow the student an opportunity to interact with professionals and apply the exploration skills of a geologist. The timing of the internship should be during the summer holidays, but will be at a mutually agreed time. Acceptance of the internship is at the option of the student, and the internship may be discontinued in the event that Galway Resources does not continue as a corporate entity.

Questions

Questions may be directed to scholarships@smenet.org or 303-948-4200.