



Michigan Chapter

MICHIGAN SCHOLARSHIPS IN CONSERVATION PROGRAM ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-2019

The Soil and Water Conservation Society (SWCS) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit scientific and educational organization dedicated to advancing the science and art of good land use. SWCS has over 3,000 members worldwide. The Michigan Chapter, one of many local chapters of SWCS, is also a federal 501(c)(3) organization and a Domestic Nonprofit Corporation in Michigan. The Michigan Chapter offers this Scholarship to college or university students in Michigan.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE

Scholarships are awarded to encourage qualified students to enter the field of natural resources conservation, and to prepare them for related careers through an organized program of study at an institution of higher education offering training in appropriate disciplines. Awards will be based on interest in conservation, scholastic ability, and participation in conservation activities.

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

1. Be an undergraduate enrolled in an agricultural, natural resources, or conservation curriculum at an accredited Michigan college or university.
2. Be a full-time Sophomore, Junior or Senior in the fall semester of the academic year for which the scholarship is awarded.

AMOUNT

A Scholarship of \$500.00 will be awarded by February 15, 2019. In addition, the recipient will be invited to attend the Michigan Chapter's 2019 ANR Week Seminar Luncheon in early March in the Lansing, Michigan area as our guest, to be introduced as our 2018-2019 *Michigan Scholarships in Conservation Program* recipient.

APPLICATIONS

Applications for the scholarship must reach the Scholarship Committee by **January 21, 2019**. The recipient will be selected by **February 15, 2019**. Application forms may be downloaded from the Michigan Chapter website <http://www.miglswcs.org/awards-jobs-and-scholarships/scholarships/> or requested directly from the Chapter Secretary. Applications should be emailed to:

Daniel F. Kesselring, Secretary
Michigan Chapter SWCS
113 North Dr. E.
Marshall, MI 49068
daniel.kesselring@miglswcs.org

Submit the following 2 pages of this application to the above email address in pdf format by January 21, 2019. You may also directly submit by clicking the "Submit Form" button on the next page.

The required three reference letters should be e-mailed or mailed directly to the above address by the authors.

QUESTIONS: Dr. Hugh Brown, Scholarship Committee Chair, at hugh.brown@miswcs.org or (765) 730-8037.

MICHIGAN CHAPTER SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION SOCIETY
MICHIGAN SCHOLARSHIPS IN CONSERVATION PROGRAM
2018-2019 Academic Year Scholarship Application

Name of Applicant (Last, First, Middle) _____

Current Address _____

Permanent Address _____

Phone _____ Cellphone _____ E-mail _____

University/College and Department where you are now studying _____

What is your current academic level? _____ What is your college grade point average? _____ Scale? _____

How many credits/hours of classes are you taking now? _____ What is your major? _____

List any minor(s) _____

What is the emphasis of your studies? _____

List credit courses completed in college that provided you with an understanding of natural resources and conservation.

For the current academic year, what are your funding sources for college? (should total 100%)

Parents _____% Work _____% Loans _____% Scholarship _____% Other _____%.

Please identify the source of Other. _____

List leadership positions you have held or now hold (4-H, FFA, student organizations, etc.)

Are you presently a student or regular member of the Soil and Water Conservation Society? ____ Yes ____ No. If yes, what Chapter? _____

Proceed to the next page and follow the instructions to complete the required essay.

I hereby certify that the information contained in this application is correct, and I release this information to the Michigan Chapter SWCS for their use in evaluating scholarship applications. If selected, I agree to use the Michigan Chapter Soil and Water Conservation Society Scholarship Award of \$500 for my educational expenses only.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

USE THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW TO WRITE A BRIEF ESSAY DESCRIBING YOUR BACKGROUND, ATTITUDES TOWARD CONSERVATION, OBJECTIVES OF YOUR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM, CAREER PLANS, AND FINANCIAL NEED.