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2026 SAN DIEGO AEP COLLEGE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

The San Diego Chapter of the Association of Environmental Professionals (AEP) supports students who are actively engaged in the pursuit of a career in a field with an environmental emphasis. As part of AEP's support efforts, the San Diego Chapter offers scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students. The monetary award will be up to \$2,000 per recipient.

Each scholarship recipient will also receive a complimentary admittance to one AEP-sponsored webinar or workshop. These events are an opportunity to network with local students and professionals in the environmental field while learning about relevant topics in the region.

Scholarships will be awarded at the San Diego Chapter Annual Awards and Scholarships Event, which will be held in October 2026. The scholarship recipients will be notified prior to the event and invited to attend this event with one guest to receive their award.

HOW CAN AWARD MONEY BE USED?

The scholarship award can be used to fund educational pursuits, including tuition, books, research, etc. Recipients will receive a check in their name from the San Diego Chapter of AEP.

WHO CAN APPLY?

The San Diego Chapter of AEP will accept applications from undergraduate and graduate students who are attending a university or community college in San Diego County or Imperial County and who are actively engaged in the pursuit of a career with an environmental emphasis. Applicants must also have a minimum 3.0 GPA at their current (or most recent) institution.

APPLICATION DIRECTIONS

Students are required to complete the application form and provide current college transcripts, an essay, and a letter of recommendation. The essay (no more than 2 pages double-spaced with at least 10-point font and 1-inch margins) should address the following prompt:

Describe your background or experiences (such as education, training, volunteering, internships, and/or work experience) that have influenced your decision to pursue a career in the environmental field. Discuss your career interests and goals during your career in the environmental field as they relate to the mission of AEP. AEP is an association of public and private sector professionals, including generalists and a wide variety of technical specialists in areas such as biology, transportation, hydrology, geology, and more. AEP has a common interest in serving the principles underlying the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and improving the processing and implementation of environmental assessment, analysis, public disclosure, and reporting.

Applicant information along with the required materials must be submitted via the application form at: <https://forms.gle/MKvp967HPZ4qj3j48>.

DEADLINE: Friday September 4, 2026

**Direct questions related to this scholarship to
sdaepstudentoutreach@gmail.com.**