



SOUTH DAKOTA SOCIETY of PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

Affiliate of the National Society of Professional Land Surveyors

2510 Happy Hollow Street, Rapid City SD 57702 605-228-2101

SOUTH DAKOTA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

For Students Enrolled in South Dakota Post-Secondary Schools and Pursuing a Surveying Degree, a Surveying Related Degree, or Surveying Licensure.

Instructions (see attached Guidelines):

Complete the information requested below.

Attach essay as requested.

Include an official transcript of completed coursework.

Sign and date your application.

Type or print using ink.

Return the completed application to your instructor by Monday, November 21, 2022.

Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

School Presently Attending

Department

Date of Enrollment

Date of Anticipated Graduation

Degree

Your Preferred Mailing Address

Alternate/Home Mailing Address (if different from above)

Your Preferred Phone Number

Alternate Phone Number

Email



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In essay format, please address the following questions on a separate sheet(s). Your essay should be typed, include complete sentences and correct grammar, and be limited to three pages.

1. Identify your course of study and the degree(s) that you are pursuing.
2. Why did you select this course of study and what do you hope to achieve in your career?
3. If you are pursuing a degree other than land surveying, what is your interest in surveying as part of your curriculum and how will surveying knowledge and experience benefit your career?
4. State your career goals.
 - a. Do you have plans to take the LSIT and to become a licensed Professional Land Surveyor?
 - b. Do you have plans to pursue a 4-year degree in land surveying?
 - c. If so, please indicate which institution you plan to attend.
5. Do you plan to stay in South Dakota or work elsewhere?
6. Discuss any past experiences which have created or contributed to your interest in the surveying profession.
7. Describe your work experiences related to surveying – list employer(s), address, phone numbers and dates of employment for your land surveying experience.
8. List all surveying, or surveying related coursework that you have completed to date and any surveying or surveying related classes in which you are currently enrolled.
9. Please discuss your personal financial needs and commitment to your education. Include parental assistance, dependents, summer employment, need to work, grants, loans, etc.

Signature

Date

My signature certifies that I am enrolled in a South Dakota post-secondary institution for the fall 2022 and spring 2023 semesters.

SDSPLS will award four scholarships (\$2000, \$1500, \$1000 and \$1000) to students attending a South Dakota post-secondary institution that are pursuing a surveying degree, a surveying related degree, or surveying licensure. Students applying must have completed six (6) semester credit hours of surveying related coursework and provide an **official transcript**. The SDSPLS Board of Directors reserves the right to determine courses that are “surveying related.” **CAD courses will not be counted towards the 6 credit hours.** Scholarships will be awarded based on merit as determined by the SDSPLS Board of Directors and based on the applicant’s qualifications and/or financial need. Additional scholarships may be awarded at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Typically, scholarships are awarded at the SDSPLS annual convention banquet, and the winners are invited to attend the entire convention as a guest of SDSPLS, including registration, lodging and meals.



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Preference may be given to a dependent or employee of an active member of SDSPLS, those who have not previously been awarded a SDSPLS Scholarship and South Dakota residents.

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If you have any questions, please contact your instructor or:

Jody Van Beek, SDSPLS Executive Director

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