

### SOUTH DAKOTA SOCIETY of PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

Affiliate of the National Society of Professional Land Surveyors

PO Box 1073, Pierre, SD 57501 605-951-1004

### 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.

SDSPLS will award four scholarships (\$2000, \$1500, and two \$1000) to students attending a South Dakota post-secondary institution who are pursuing a surveying degree, a surveying related degree, or surveying licensure. Students applying must have completed six 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 six credit hours.** Scholarships will be awarded based on merit as determined by the SDSPS 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.

Scholarships are awarded at the SDSPLS Annual Convention banquet on January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and the top winners are invited to attend the entire convention, January 10th-12th in Deadwood, SD, as a guest of SDSPLS, including registration, lodging and meals.

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

Return your completed application to your surveying instructor by Monday, November 13, 2023.

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

Nancy Hoines, SDSPLS Executive Director Directorsdspls@hotmail.com 605.951.1004 PO Box 1073, Pierre, South Dakota 57501

#### **Summary of Instructions:**

- 1. Complete the fillable PDF form on page 2.
- 2. Attach the typed essay as requested. See the attached guidelines on page 3.
- 3. Include an official transcript of completed coursework.
- 4. Sign and date your application in ink.
- 5. Return the complete application to your surveying instructor.



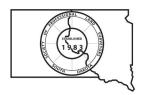
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| Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)                      |                        |
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| School Presently Attending                              | Department             |
| Date of Enrollment Date of Anticipated Graduation       | on Degree              |
| Your Preferred Mailing Address                          |                        |
| Alternate/Home Mailing Address (if different from about | ove)                   |
| Your Preferred Phone Number                             | Alternate Phone Number |
| Email   |                        |
| Signature   |                        |



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In essay format, please address the following items 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? 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), addresses, 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.