

# 2015-2016 Scholarship Application

## Arkansas Environmental Federation

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*\*Please type or print all information\**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Fax/E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Name of University \_\_\_\_\_

Major Field of Study \_\_\_\_\_

Accumulated Course Hours: \_\_\_\_\_

(Must have completed 40 credit hours at time of application in order to apply)

Undergraduate Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_

(2.8 is required minimum)

Graduate Student Grade Point Average (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

(2.8 is required minimum)

**I certify that I am a full-time student at this time, will be a full-time student in 2015-2016, am a U.S. citizen, and that I am either a resident of Arkansas, graduated from an Arkansas high school, or attend an Arkansas university. I also certify that I have completed 40 credit hours at the time of this application, am an undergraduate or graduate student, and that all information in this application is true and accurate.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Attachments:

1. Letter of nomination by faculty member
2. Two letters of recommendation  
(addressing personal and scholastic attributes)
3. Current official transcript(s)
4. One to three double-spaced, typed pages explaining your professional career goals relating to the field(s) of environmental, health and safety.

Mail application and attachments to:

Scholarship Program  
Arkansas Environmental Federation  
1400 W. Markham, Ste. 302  
Little Rock, AR 72201  
Phone: 501-374-0263

*\*Application Deadline: Entries must be postmarked no later than April 8, 2015.\**

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### About the Arkansas Environmental Federation

Founded in 1967, the Arkansas Environmental Federation (AEF) is a 501(c)3 non-profit education association with about 200 members, the majority of them businesses and industries that deal with environmental, safety and health regulations on a day-to-day basis. The AEF focuses on practical, common-sense laws and regulations based on sound

science, a team-work approach to compliance and waste minimization and pollution prevention. The AEF enables information to be exchanged on a daily basis between its members, government regulators and policymakers.

### Purpose of the Scholarship

Through its scholarship program, the AEF provides financial assistance to selected students with ties to Arkansas. To apply, students must be majoring in environmental, health and safety, natural resource programs, or any related field (see below for examples of degree fields considered). Scholarship funding comes from the Federation's Public Education Program Fund and from the Endowment for the Randall Mathis Scholarship for Environmental Studies. Members of the Federation provide donations to these funds, making it possible to award one scholarship worth up to \$2,500 each year to a deserving student. The scholarship is designated the Randall Mathis Scholarship in honor of Randall Mathis of Arkadelphia, Ark., the former longtime director of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality. The scholarship award is made in two payments --half for fall 2015, and half for spring 2016.

### Example of Degree Fields Considered

Agricultural with Environmental Emphasis  
Environmental Health Science  
Chemical Engineering with Environmental Emphasis  
Fisheries & Wildlife Biology  
Forestry

Environmental Engineering  
Civil Engineering with Environmental Emphasis  
Geology  
Wildlife Management

### Application Criteria

U.S. Citizen  
Resident of Arkansas, attending an Arkansas university, or have graduated from an Arkansas high school  
Undergraduate or graduate student  
Completion of 40 credit hours at time of application  
Full-time student status at time of application and for year scholarship is awarded  
Minimum 2.8 cumulative Grade Point Average (based on 4.0 system)  
Letter of nomination by faculty member  
Two additional letters of recommendation that address candidate's scholastic and personal attributes

### Application Process

Each candidate must complete and submit an application form along with current official transcript(s) and letters. (See instructions on application form)

### Selection Process

A committee formed of members of the AEF will make the selections. Representatives of the Federation may interview candidates during the application review. The scholarship will be awarded in May.

### For More Information

E-mail AEF Communication Director Rebecca Neely at [rneely@environmentark.org](mailto:rneely@environmentark.org) or call the AEF office at 501-374-0263.

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