

2023 MAPSS Scholarship



Purpose

The purpose of MAPSS offering a scholarship is to encourage qualified students to increase their interest in the profession of soil science. The discipline of soil science along with related disciplines such as soil conservation or natural resources will be considered for this scholarship. This scholarship was first offered in 2011 in memory of Laurie Brown, a longtime MAPSS member.

Eligibility

To be considered for this scholarship, applicants must either be:

- in their junior, senior, or graduate years of college, enrolled in soil science or a related curriculum at a 4-year college in Minnesota and in good academic standing, or
- in their junior, senior, or graduate years of college, enrolled in a soil science or a related curriculum, attend a 4-year college outside of Minnesota, be in good academic standing **and** either have a MAPSS member as a parent/guardian/immediate family member or be a legal resident of Minnesota.

The application package must demonstrate an emphasis in soil science in order to receive consideration.

Amount

One (1) \$500.00 scholarship will be awarded to an undergraduate student and one (1) \$500.00 scholarship will be awarded to a graduate student.

Deadline

Sunday, October 15, 2023 (11:59pm).

What to Submit

1. **Application Form** – next page
2. **Essay** – On an attached sheet (in an electronic format or handwritten and scanned), write an essay of no more than **150 words** describing your interest in soils related to the past, present and future.
3. **College Transcript** – Does not need to be an official transcript

How to Apply

Submit the information list above in an electronic format to the MAPSS Secretary at secretary@mnsoilscientist.org. You will be sent an email reply confirming that we received your application.

Scholarship Presentation

The scholarship recipients will be awarded on Wednesday, November 15, 2023 (notified via email) and will be announced in a MAPSS eblast. Each recipient will be invited (complimentary) to attend the MAPSS Winter Technical Event on Friday, December 1, 2023 and the Summer Tour 2024 (TBD).

Benefits of Applying

Each applicant will receive a free student MAPSS membership for 2024 and free admission to the MAPSS Winter Technical Event on Friday, December 1, 2023 and the MAPSS Summer Tour 2024 (TBD). These events will expand your soil science knowledge and introduce you to people working in soil science and related fields.

The MAPSS Scholarship Application Form (Please Print Clearly or Type)



Deadline is Sunday, October 15, 2023, at 11:59 pm

Candidates must submit the following information to the secretary@mnsoilscientist.org:

1. This application form, completed.
2. An essay of no more than **150 words** describing your interest in soils related to the past, present and future.
3. Transcript of your academic record (does not need to be official).

Name _____

Present Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Permanent Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Major (if declared) _____ Minor/Emphasis _____

Expected Degree _____ Cumulative GPA of _____ on a _____ scale

Current Academic Standing: Junior _____ Senior _____ Graduate _____

Name of School _____

Academic Advisor _____

Phone _____ Email _____

How did you hear about this scholarship? _____

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Thank you for applying for the 2023 MAPSS Scholarship!