

Scholarships



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Purpose

The Georgia Green Industry Association Scholarship Fund was created to promote interest in ornamental horticulture and to encourage the development of outstanding young men and women.

Administration

The scholarships are under the direct supervision of Georgia Green Scholarship Committee and the Board of Directors of the Georgia Green Industry Association. The Scholarship Committee screens applicants and selects the recipients. Committee reserves the right to request personal interview of applicants.

Award Guidelines

1. Applicant must have exhibited an interest in pursuing a career in nursery management, greenhouse management, garden center management, landscape contracting or other green industry related areas.
2. Applicant should have a grade point average of 2.5 or above on a 4.0 scale for undergraduate students or 3.0 on a scale of 4.0 for graduate students.
3. Applicant should be a junior or above.
4. Financial need will be considered by the Committee.
5. Applicant must be a Georgia resident.
6. Choice of school must be approved by Georgia Green Industry's Scholarship Committee.
7. The Georgia Green Scholarship Committee, with the approval of the Board of Directors, reserves the right to cease awarding the scholarship to any individual at any time.
8. Previous scholarship recipients may reapply; however, each are limited to a maximum of 2 scholarship awards.

Scholarship Disbursements

The recipient will receive a minimum \$500.00 scholarship if enrolled in a four-year program. Recipients in a two-year program will receive a minimum \$250 scholarship. The Scholarship Committee along with the approval of the Georgia Green Industry Association Board of Directors determine the quantity of scholarships and the amount of each scholarship. Applications will be received each year - there will be no automatic or continuing scholarships. Proof of payment of fees for each semester is required before the scholarship is awarded.



APPLICATION FORM

Student's Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)

Institution: _____

Student's Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Student's Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____ Email: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Major (curriculum): _____

Class Standing as of the Fall Semester: (Check One) _____ Junior _____ Senior _____ Graduate

Are you presently receiving any financial aid or scholarship? ___ Yes ___ No

If so, what type and amount (\$) _____

Return the following along with this application to: Georgia Green Industry Association
PO Box 369
Epworth, GA 30541
Voice: 706.632.0100
Fax: 706.632.0300

1. Provide a cover letter of not more than one page, which should include:
 - a. Experiences or factors that stimulated your interest in your present major.
 - b. Your plans following graduation.
 - c. How the scholarship would benefit your education and career goals.
2. Include a one page resume describing your background, employment history and education.
3. **IMPORTANT** - Enclose all official transcripts from the registrar's office (graduate students, please include undergraduate transcripts also). If different institutions are involved, please include all institutions' transcripts.
4. Provide three letters of recommendation under separate covers. Up to two letters may be from department faculty members who are familiar with the student. One letter of recommendation can be from a professional person, preferably from the horticulture industry and excluding family members, that includes an evaluation of your background, character, and other qualities that would help the committee evaluate your application. (Recommendation letters must be mailed directly from the faculty member or an employer.) Forms for these letters are provided.

The Georgia Green Industry Association does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, handicap or Vietnam-era veteran status.

Application Deadline: December 18, 2009 and must include a head and shoulders photo of applicant.

List your past and present jobs: (Attach an additional sheet if necessary)

Employer _____ Nature of Work _____

Dates _____ Person to Contact _____ Phone _____

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Applicant's Signature

Date



REFERRAL FORM

(To be completed by the faculty advisor, instructor or previous horticultural employer)
Application Deadline: December 18, 2009

Please complete the following and use the space at the bottom of this page to comment on the applicant's significant contributions to the nursery industry, recent academic qualifications and current financial needs. If additional space is needed, use reverse side of form.

This form must be mailed directly from person giving the referral.

Applicant's Name: _____

Institution/Firm: _____

Faculty Member/Employer: _____ Title: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Faculty Member's/Employer's Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

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