

# **WALTER M. CUNNINGHAM EDUCATION FOUNDATION**

## **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INFORMATION**

### **ELIGIBLE STUDENTS:**

Applicants must be a resident of the State of Utah and studying curriculum leading to a career in the Land Surveying or Geomatics profession. Applicant must intend to take the Fundamentals of Surveying (FS), Principles and Practice of Surveying (PS), and the State final exam for licensure in the State of Utah as a Professional Land Surveyor.

### **ELIGIBLE INSTITUTIONS:**

Eligible institutions include any public or private, accredited institution located within the State of Utah, whose curriculum is approved by the Utah Council of Land Surveyors.

### **AMOUNT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP(S):**

The quantity and value of the scholarship(s) will be determined each year by the Board of the WALTER M. CUNNINGHAM EDUCATION FOUNDATION (WMCEF) after receiving recommendations from its Education Committee serving under said Board. The Board will establish the number of scholarships, and the amount of each scholarship within three (3) months of the scholarship deadline.

### **APPLICATION PROCESS:**

Interested applicants may apply by completing this Application Form. The completed and signed application form, accompanied by an unofficial transcript of all undergraduate work completed, and proof of registration for the upcoming Fall semester, at the office of the WMCEF, on or before May 1, to be eligible for consideration. Additionally, as follows:

1. Two letters of reference from employers or supervisors in the field of Land Surveying, GIS, or Geomatics.

2. A statement from the applicant specifying their educational and career goals.

## SELECTION:

The WMCEF Education Committee will evaluate all applications received and forward their written recommendations to the Board on or before June 1. The WMCEF Board will act on the recommendations in a Board Meeting on or before June 30.

The charge of the Education Committee and the WMCEF Board is to select applicants who meet the criteria for the awarding of scholarships with full objectivity and shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion (creed), gender, gender expression, age, national origin (ancestry), disability, marital status, sexual orientation, or military status, in any of its activities or operations.

The committee will refer to the “selection” section of the scholarship information evaluating applications.

The committee will meet as often as is necessary to discuss and evaluate the scholarship applicant information. Additional meetings may be held at the discretion of the education committee chairperson based upon the number of applications and the information presented by each applicant.

The committee must consist of at least three licensed land surveyors appointed by and may include the WMCEF Board. Additional members may be added as needed. The committee will rate each applicant and recommend those most qualified to the WMCEF Board.

The committee will follow the by-laws which state the purpose of the WMCEF and its scholarship components in making their selections. Any member of the committee that has personal or business interests with any candidate shall abstain from participating in the evaluations and recommendations of that candidate to the Board.

The WMCEF Education Committee and the WMCEF Board will evaluate each applicant on:

- 1) their level of academic achievement,
- 2) their financial need as determined by the financial aid section of the application,
- 3) the quality of their employment within a company that is presently engaged in the practice of Land Surveying, GIS, or Geomatics.
- 4) the quality of the letters of recommendation received, and
- 5) the quality and applicability of their statement of education and career goals to Land Surveying, GIS, or Geomatics

The committee shall rank each candidate’s application in order of most qualified to least qualified. A vote of the committee in behalf of each applicant will be taken stating “For, Against, or Abstain” from each committee member. The vote and ranking will be forwarded to the WMCEF Board on or before June 1.

#### AWARD NOTIFICATION:

Notification regarding the results of the application will be sent, via U.S. Mail, to the successful recipient(s) before August 20. The recipient(s) will be required to sign, acknowledge, and return a copy of the award notice that the scholarship funds will be used as specified. The recipient(s) are encouraged to attend the annual Utah Council of Land Surveyors (UCLS) Annual Conference or chapter meeting where they may be recognized by members of the UCLS.

#### DISBURSING OF MONEY:

A check in the name of the recipient(s), containing one half of the scholarship award will be drawn on the WMCEF account and sent to the successful recipient(s). Scholarship recipient(s) who do not maintain a B or higher average during the semester will forfeit the remainder of his/her scholarship. A transcript of grades must be submitted to the WMCEF office before the remaining disbursement will be issued. Additionally, checks will be issued by WMCEF only after verification of registration for enrollment for the ensuing semester has been completed.

#### SCHOLARSHIP FUND USES:

Scholarship money received may be used for payment of tuition, books, fees, or housing required to complete an accredited program in the pursuit of an Associate of Science degree or Baccalaureate degree in the field of Land Surveying, GIS, or Geomatics.

#### PUBLICITY:

The WMCEF will provide annual notice of the WMCEF Scholarship Program to all eligible educational institutions within the State of Utah, including rules, regulations, and application forms. When a scholarship is awarded, the WMCEF will provide publicity through the media and other sources.

#### MANAGEMENT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:

Donations to the WMCEF will be placed in a dedicated interest-bearing account under the direction of the WMCEF Board. In addition to donated funds, scholarship award(s) is/are limited to the interest generated

by the fund. The principal, within the fund, may not be used to award scholarship. The WMCEF Board will be responsible for an annual scholarship fund report to the annual Board meeting of the WMCEF.

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## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

BIRTH DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) - \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) - \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a US Citizen?: Yes No

Are you a resident of **Utah**?: Yes No

If yes, how long? \_\_\_\_\_ years, \_\_\_\_\_ months

If no, where do you reside?

Spouse's name, address and phone number, *(if applicable)*:

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Parent's name, address and phone number, (if applicable):

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High School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

High School GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Colleges and/or Universities Attended:

1) \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

3) \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

1) \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Aggregate College GPA \_\_\_\_\_

SAT Verbal \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Math \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Composite \_\_\_\_\_

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College or University you plan to attend:

1) \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
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Significant High School Activities you have completed:

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Significant University or College Activities you have completed:

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List community and work experiences:

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Describe your educational, career and personal goals:

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Describe your financial needs (attach a separate sheet, if needed):

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Letters of Recommendation enclosed are from the following individuals:

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#### CERTIFICATION:

I certify that all information I have provided on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. If requested, I agree to give proof of the information on this application. I understand that selection committees may review information on this form, my transcripts, and my needs for financial assistance based on this application. I give permission for selection committees to contact high school, college or university officials for additional financial and/or academic information. If selected to receive a scholarship, I give permission for a publicity release.

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Signature of Applicant

Telephone (Area Code/Number)

Date

