

2012 PLANET Academic Excellence Foundation Scholarship Application



Each year the PLANET Academic Excellence Foundation awards scholarships to outstanding established college students for continued study in the green industry.

CRITERIA

Scholarship applicants must be enrolled at a college or university that meets one of the following criteria:

- Has an accredited PLANET Landscape Contracting Curriculum
- Has a PLANET Student Chapter Membership
- Is a participating PLANET Student Career Days School

REQUIREMENTS

In order for your scholarship application to be accepted, it must include:

- The most recent academic transcript or student advisory tracking report
- A **minimum** of at least two letters of recommendation
- Signature/date by both student and faculty advisor
- A current photo

DEADLINE: DECEMBER 9, 2011

ALL sections should be typed on this form. Please use additional paper if you are unable to completely answer any section in the space provided. If you have any questions, please call the PLANET office at (800) 395-2522 or e-mail scholarship@landcarenetwork.org.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Required: Current photo of applicant. Judges will not see photos. Photos are for recognition of recipients by the Foundation. Photos should be sent in .jpeg or .tiff format via e-mail to scholarship@landcarenetwork.org.

Name of Student _____

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Current School Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ ZIP _____

Permanent Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ Email _____

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Required: Your most recent academic transcript or an advisory tracking report.

Name of school presently attending: _____

Current major: _____

Minor (optional): _____

Area of specialization: _____

Year currently in school (check one):

- 1st year (Freshman) _____
- 2nd year (Sophomore) or 25% complete _____
- 3rd year (Junior) or 50% complete _____
- 4th year (Senior) or 75% complete _____
- Graduate Student _____

Number of college hours completed: _____ Number of hours currently carrying: _____

Overall grade-point average: _____

Please write FRESHMAN if this is your first year.

Grade-point average in major: _____

How has your education been financed up to this point? Please be specific.

ACTIVITIES (Please use additional paper if necessary)

Awards, honors, scholarships, etc., received in high school or college:

College activities related to horticulture:

High school activities related to horticulture:

Community activities related to horticulture:

Other activities, volunteer work, and offices held (college, high school, community):

PLANET Student Career Days attended or planning to attend - give years:

Other PLANET events attended:

WORK EXPERIENCE (Please use additional paper if necessary)

Internships completed:

Internships planned:

Job experience (whether or not related to horticulture):

Employer

Job Title or Duties

Dates

Employer

Job Title or Duties

Dates

Employer

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Dates

PERSONAL REFERENCES

REQUIRED: MINIMUM OF TWO RECOMMENDATIONS.

You are required to submit a minimum of **TWO** personal recommendations with this application. References can be from any two or more of the following:

A member of the Professional Landcare Network, most recent employer, horticultural instructor, counselor, club advisor, church leader, or other persons qualified to attest to your abilities, character, and scholastic ability.

EDUCATIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND GOALS

(Please use additional paper if necessary.)

What have you learned about financial management as part of your education that will help you in your career?

How has your landscape industry-related curriculum helped you in achieving your career goals?

Be specific as to the type/kind of *training* and *work experience* you will complete to attain your goals.

Describe your plan to attain more *leadership* and *human relations* skills

In your own words, clearly and concisely state the reason you are applying for this scholarship. Please provide a clear, specific demonstration of need.

What are your career objectives as they relate to the field of landscape contracting and horticulture?

Where do you see your career five years after graduation?

I acknowledge that the information submitted on this form is true and correct and has been completed by the applicant with no assistance.

Applicant's Signature **(REQUIRED)**

Date

Advisor's Signature **(REQUIRED)**

Date

Application must be received by December 9, 2011

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