



## 2026-2027 SCHOLARSHIP

### What?

- The **ARIZONA FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION** is pleased to announce the availability of scholarships for the 2026-2027 academic year.

### How Much?

- *Each scholarship will be for up to \$3,000:* \$1,500/fall 2026 and \$1,500/spring 2027.

### How Many?

- AFMA intends to award multiple scholarships this year. *One could be to you!*

### Who's Eligible?

- Undergraduates that are *at least sophomores (Apply during Freshman year or later)*
- *Graduate students*
- Must be majoring in a water resource related field (see following pages for eligible majors). Interested? Does my major qualify? Ask Christian and she will be happy to let you know.
- Students of ASU, UofA, NAU, and/or another accredited school where the recipient demonstrates strong ties to Arizona.

### When is it due?

- *April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026*

### How do I apply?

- Fill out the application and send us the requested info (letter of recommendation, essay, etc.).

### Where do I send my application?

- Email to: [christian.harvey@kimley-horn.com](mailto:christian.harvey@kimley-horn.com)
- Or send via mail / drop off to:

Kimley-Horn  
c/o Christian Harvey at AFMA  
1661 E Camelback Road #400  
Phoenix, AZ 85016

### Fine Print?

- Full eligibility criteria, additional details and application on the following pages.
- AFMA reserves the right to issue as many, or as few scholarships as it sees fit.



## SCHOLARSHIP NOTICE

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**  
**April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

### **A. Scholarship Established**

The Arizona Floodplain Management Association (AFMA) has established a scholarship for students enrolled in water resource related majors.

### **B. Purpose of the Scholarship**

This scholarship is established for the purpose of promoting the education of water resource professionals in order to help meet the goals of AFMA. The purpose and objective of AFMA is to provide a means of local representation on a statewide basis regarding policies and activities dealing with floodplain management within Arizona. This includes promoting the common interest in flood hazard mitigation, enhancing cooperation among the various related private, local, state, and federal agencies, and encouraging and ensuring new and innovative approaches to managing the state's floodplains.

### **C. Scholarship Overview:**

1. An award of up to \$3,000 per student per school year may be granted, disbursed one-half for fall semester and one-half for spring semester.
2. Relatives of AFMA members are eligible. AFMA members with friends or family members applying for a scholarship must recuse themselves from the review and award process.
3. A target of a minimum of one undergraduate or one graduate scholarship per year. AFMA reserves the right to not grant any scholarships in any given year or grant multiple scholarships to qualifying applicants.
4. Scholarship funds may be used for tuition, books, student housing, and water resources related conferences or professional development course registration fees.
5. Scholarship applications will be accepted, reviewed, and awarded by the AFMA Board of Directors with administrative support from the university.
6. The AFMA Board of Directors will administer the scholarship funds.

### **D. AFMA Scholarship Award Criteria:**

1. The criteria for the AFMA Scholarship are defined on the following pages under the Scholarship Application section.

### **E. Procedure**

Final scholarship recipients will be selected by AFMA from ASU, UofA, NAU, and/or another accredited school where the recipient demonstrates strong ties to Arizona. The annual scholarship award(s) will be disbursed one-half for fall semester and one-half for spring semester to awardees enrolled at these universities.



## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Complete and return this application by **April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026**, to: Arizona Floodplain Management Association c/o Christian Harvey with Kimley-Horn, 1661 E Camelback Rd #400, Phoenix, AZ 85016. You may return by e-mail to: [christian.harvey@kimley-horn.com](mailto:christian.harvey@kimley-horn.com). Please type or print neatly. Questions email or call Christian at (623) 233-2808.

### PURPOSE

This scholarship is established for the purpose of promoting the education of water resource professionals in order to help meet the goals of the Arizona Floodplain Management Association.

### CRITERIA

1. Student must major in one of the following areas of study:
  - Civil Engineering (with water resources emphasis),
  - Water Resources including surface water hydrology and hydraulics,
  - Watershed Management,
  - Environmental Engineering,
  - Agricultural Engineering,
  - Geomorphology, or
  - Enrolled in a floodplain management accredited program approved by the AFMA Board of Directors.
2. Undergraduates:
  - Applicant must be a minimum 2<sup>nd</sup> year (sophomore) student and have completed 30 credit hours for the year the scholarship applies. At the time of application for this scholarship, applicant must have completed at least 15 credit hours.
  - Applicant must show a minimum of 6 credit hours in one of the fields of study listed above by the end of the two semesters for which the scholarship applies. The 6 hours can either be passed in previous semesters or 3 hours enrolled in the semester for which the scholarship will first apply, and 3 hours in the following semester.
3. Graduates: Must be enrolled in a master's program with emphasis on one of the fields listed above.
4. The applicant must provide a two-page written statement including the following:
  - Explanation of why the applicant applied for a scholarship from AFMA.
  - Description of the applicant's professional goals for the future and how this scholarship will help the applicant achieve those goals.
  - Demonstration of past or on-going leadership in an area related to water resources, such as serving in a student professional society and/or including a list and description of student awards received.
5. Applicant must submit at least one letter of recommendation from the applicant's professors in the water resources field, student advisor, or from water resources professionals in the community.
6. Applicant must maintain full-time student status for the period that the scholarship applies.
7. Applicant must maintain a 3.0 minimum GPA and provide a copy of applicant's university transcript.
8. Applicant must be a US citizen or a permanent resident of the US.
9. Preference will be given to AFMA members including AFMA student members. Applicants are encouraged to visit the AFMA website at [www.azfma.org](http://www.azfma.org) for more information about AFMA.
10. Preference may be given to students who meet all the above criteria and demonstrate a financial need by incorporating economic circumstances into their financial need statement. Final determination of need will be decided by AFMA. All information submitted in this regard will be treated as confidential, used only for scholarship application evaluation, and seen only by the review committee.



APPLICATION: Complete and return this application to: Kimley-Horn., c/o Christian Harvey at AFMA, 1661 E Camelback Rd #400, Phoenix, AZ 85016. Or by email to [Christian.harvey@kimley-horn.com](mailto:Christian.harvey@kimley-horn.com). Please type or print neatly.

**Applicant Information**

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Student ID #: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Addresses

Permanent: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Street Apt. No. City State Zip

Local: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Street Apt. No. City State Zip

Local Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Permanent Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant must state YES to one of the following statements:**

I am a citizen of the United States: \_\_\_\_\_

I am a permanent resident of the United States: \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Applicant information:**

Have you previously received an AFMA scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you completed the FAFSA form in your schools Financial Aid office? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School attended: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State: \_\_\_\_\_

Year of High School graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Year of College entrance: \_\_\_\_\_

Work or activities between high school and college entrance?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Memberships in student and/or professional societies: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of AFMA? \_\_\_\_\_

**Financial Need:**

Provide a brief explanation of your financial need:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Applicant College Information:**

Current College: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Status (undergraduate or graduate): \_\_\_\_\_

College Major and Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

College Minor and Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduate Students: Course of study/dissertation topic:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative College GPA (must be 3.0 or higher): \_\_\_\_\_

Current academic status: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of College credits completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of transfer credits: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate number of credits remaining after this semester (applicant must be within 90 credits of graduation)? \_\_\_\_\_

Expected graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of credits/hours enrolled in this semester: \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated number of credits/hours for which you will enroll during:

Next Spring: \_\_\_\_\_ Next Fall: \_\_\_\_\_



**ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT**

Please provide an academic summary and projection, if necessary, below. This academic history could be from your current college, another 4-year college or university, a community or junior college, or any combination of these. Grade points are calculated by giving an 'A' 4 grade points for each credit; a 'B', 3 grade points; a 'C', 2 grade points; and a 'D', 1 grade point. The GPA is equal to the total grade points divided by the total credits.

Applicant:

Must show a minimum of 6 credit hours in one of the following areas: civil engineering (with water resources emphasis), water resources including surface water hydrology and hydraulics, environmental engineering, watershed management, agricultural engineering, or geomorphology.

OR is currently enrolled for 3 credit hours in one of the areas listed above and will enroll in an additional 3 credit hours in one of these areas in the following semester.

Institution's Name	Semester and Year	Number of Credits Earned	Semester GPA

**ADDITIONAL MATERIAL**

1. Applicant must submit at least one letter of recommendation from the applicant's professors in the water resources field, student advisor, or from water resources professionals in the community.
2. The applicant must provide a two-page written statement including the following:
  - Explanation of why the applicant applied for a scholarship from AFMA.
  - Description of the applicant's professional goals.
  - Demonstration of past or on-going leadership in an area related to water resources, such as serving in a student professional society and/or including a list and description of any student awards received.
3. Applicant must provide a copy of applicant's university transcripts. Unofficial is acceptable.

The applicant's signature below indicates that if he or she is being considered for a scholarship, consent is given to release academic, financial, or other information as required by the donor(s). The applicant's signature also certifies that the information provided on this form is complete and accurate.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date