



## Connecticut Valley Chapter of the Geo-Institute of American Society of Civil Engineers GEO-CT Geotechnical Scholarship Award

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Thank you for your interest in the GEO-CT Geotechnical Scholarship Award. The scholarship award committee has prepared the following information about the scholarship to provide encouragement and assist with the application process. We look forward to receiving your application.

### Overview

The Geo-Institute Connecticut Valley Chapter has established a scholarship award targeted toward students studying geotechnical engineering or related field at an undergraduate college/university in the Connecticut Valley. The main objectives of the award are to:

- Encourage students interested in geotechnical engineering to pursue a career in this field.
- Support students pursuing a degree in the geo-sciences to assist with the increasingly high costs of higher education.
- Promote student involvement in ASCE Student Chapters.
- Provide a cash award for the selected students to use at their discretion.

### Eligibility

Applicants shall meet the following requirements:

- Currently a full-time student enrolled in an ABET accredited engineering program leading to a Bachelor of Science (or Engineering) degree in Civil Engineering, Geological Engineering, or Geology. Preference will be given to students with a focus on geotechnical engineering. Applicants should have taken at least two courses in geotechnical engineering or closely related topics.
- Undergraduate student in their sophomore, junior, or senior year, or Graduate student in good academic standing.
- Active member of an ASCE student chapter or demonstrate a record of leadership in other student-led organizations.
- Receive endorsement from one of the following: a professor teaching geotechnical engineering or related subject matter, ASCE faculty advisor, Department Head, or Program Chair. Endorsement can be in the form of an email, letter, or other format.
- Answer Career Questions included in this application;
  - AND/OR - Submit a 500- to 1000-word write-up on why you are interested in geotechnical engineering and what might motivate you intend to pursue a career in this field.
  - AND/OR - Complete an internship performing geotechnical-related tasks and submit a letter of support from your supervisor along with a 500- to 1000-word write-up about what you learned from this internship.



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### **Award**

The Geo-Institute Valley Scholarship Committee will make awards each year in accordance with the applications that are received and funds available. The selected candidate(s) shall receive a certificate of recognition and a check for the award amount. Awards are anticipated to be in the range of **\$500 to \$2,000** per recipient. The award(s) will be presented at the CT Valley Spring Geotechnical Seminar in April. Attendance at the Spring Seminar by the awarded students is encouraged but not required. Applications must be received by March 20. The committee reserves the right to not recommend a recipient of scholarship award.

### **Selection**

The Geo-Institute Connecticut Valley Scholarship Committee will review applications and select award recipients. The CT Valley G-I Committee Chair shall submit the selected award applications to the CSCE Board for review.

### **Submittal**

Applications should be submitted in PDF or WORD format. Please include relevant photographs with application. Total length of application should not exceed 10 pages (not including instruction pages) and responses to career questions should not exceed 500 words per question. Please submit applications and any questions you have to Amy at [csceinfo@gmail.com](mailto:csceinfo@gmail.com)



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**APPLICANT:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Permanent Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
**Current Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(if different from above) \_\_\_\_\_  
**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**e-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GRADES AND ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE:**

**College/University:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Degree:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Major:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Graduation Year:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Area of Study Concentration or Focus:**

Have you received this award before? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, what year?

Do you currently have scholarships greater than or equal to the cost of tuition?

**CAREER QUESTIONS:**

1. Describe an activity or two you have been involved with at school and/or community in recent years. Why are these activities important to you?

2. Share an accomplishment in your life that you are proud of (e.g., hiking Mt. Everest, becoming a chess champion, winning a gold medal, etc.):



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3. Describe a difficult challenge you have encountered at work, school, or in other activities and how you were able to overcome it:

4. What class (or classes) have you taken at school that you think will impact your career most? Why do you feel this way?

5. Describe the ideal project that you would like to work on in years following graduation. What about this “dream project” is exciting to you?

6. Please share any additional information such as hobbies, personal interests, background, other awards, or extraordinary circumstances you would like the committee to consider: