



Future Leaders Scholarship Application

Application Deadline: February 1, 2025 for 2025-2027 Scholarship

Important Note: This is a copy of the Future Leaders Scholarship application. An [online application](#) is required. Saving as a draft of the online application is not an option. Students applying should be prepared to submit the full application all at once.

The Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM) Foundation Future Leaders Scholarship is up to \$20,000 per year for two years available to a student entering their junior year in a 4-year undergraduate degree program or entering the last two years of a 5-year or dual degree undergraduate program, and studying in a field related to floods and flood management. The funds are for undergraduate work only. The funds will pay the recipient's college or university directly for any tuition costs which exceed any existing financial aid or scholarships up to \$20,000 per year. Funds remaining after tuition payment may be used for other educational expenses, room and board in a college dormitory, or an equivalent stipend if living off campus.

The ASFPM Foundation Future Leaders Scholarship has been established to provide financial support, mentoring and professional opportunities to undergraduate students who will grow to advance the vision of the ASFPM Foundation. The ASFPM Foundation's vision focuses on reducing the risk and impacts of floods on people and communities.

The Future Leaders Scholarship is intended to support the undergraduate academic career of a deserving student, studying in areas such as engineering, planning, and biological, earth and social sciences, interested in a career field related to reducing the risk and impacts of floods on people and communities. Addressing floods and flood risk includes the fields of floodplain management, watershed management and coastal management, and incorporates climate change, the environment, and urban and land management issues. Professionals working in the field include people in the public and private sectors and who are scientists, engineers, planners, and researchers.

The ASFPM Foundation has established eligibility criteria for the Future Leaders Scholarship, and along with a demonstration of financial need, the student must be pursuing a course of study related to the vision of the ASFPM Foundation. After graduation the student must plan to work in a profession that focuses on reducing the risk and impacts of floods on people and communities.

The Future Leaders Scholarship page at asfpmfoundation.org includes information on the purpose, duration, what the Scholarship includes, and selection criteria.

Application and Selection Process:

- Applicants must complete an online application.
- The application and all required attachments for the ASFPM Foundation Future Leaders Scholarship must be received by the application deadline of February 1, 2025.
- High-ranking candidates, as determined by the selection committee, will be contacted no later than February 15, 2025 and must submit two current (within the last six months) letters of recommendation. Required will be:
 - Letter of Reference – Academic/Professional (from a professor or past/current employer)
 - Letter of Reference - Character (from a non-academic/professional reference who is not a family member and can attest to the good character of the applicant)
- The highest-ranking candidates, as determined by the selection committee, will be interviewed in person, by telephone, or via video in March or April 2025.
- The selected ASFPM Foundation Future Leader Scholar will be announced by May 2025, with concurrent notifications to non-selected applicants.

Minimum Eligibility Requirements for 2025-2027 Scholarship:

The applicant must:

- be a U.S. citizen or have U.S. permanent resident alien status;
- have graduated from high school prior to August 2023;
- have completed a minimum of 1 year of studies at a college or university by January 2025;
- be entering their junior year or entering their 4th year of a 5-year dual degree undergraduate program in Fall 2025;
- have a cumulative, minimum GPA of 2.5 (or equivalent) at the completion of the Fall Semester 2024;
- be attending an accredited public or private college or university in the United States or its territories; and
- be pursuing a course of study related to the vision of the ASFPM Foundation, which includes, engineering, planning, and biological, earth and social sciences.

The deadline to submit applications and required attachments is February 1, 2025 (11:59 pm Central).

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS:

A number of attachments are required to be uploaded or submitted by email to asfpmfoundation@floods.org by the February 1, 2025 deadline for your application to be considered complete.

- Proof of Citizenship or Permanent Residency Status
- Transcript of cumulative GPA from the 2024 Fall Semester or its equivalent trimester (2.5 or above)
- Copy of your most recent FAFSA
- Resume listing employment history, as well as awards, achievements, and/or honors
- Two essays (as described below)

* ESSAY QUESTIONS: Applicants are to provide two original essays (max. 750 words each):

(1) Describe your personal background, including how or why you became interested in flood issues or how you became interested in the Future Leaders Scholarship. Feel free to include how your completed and planned course work will prepare you for a career in addressing flood issues and/or any statement of financial need.

(2) What do you see as the challenges for reducing the risk and impacts of floods on people and communities today, and how do you believe you can contribute (make a difference) in addressing flood issues in the United States and its territories in the future?

Questions on the ASFPM Foundation Future Leaders Scholarship may be directed to asfpmfoundation@floods.org and will usually be answered within 48 hours.

*** 1. APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Last name	<input type="text"/>
First name	<input type="text"/>
Middle name	<input type="text"/>
Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)	<input type="text"/>
Primary Email Address	<input type="text"/>
Primary Phone Number	<input type="text"/>

*** 2. YOUR CURRENT SCHOOL MAILING ADDRESS/CONTACT INFORMATION**

Mailing Address *	<input type="text"/>
Address 2	<input type="text"/>
City/Town*	<input type="text"/>
State/ Province *	<input type="text"/>
ZIP/ Postal Code *	<input type="text"/>
Email Address	<input type="text"/>
Phone Number	<input type="text"/>

3. YOUR PERMANENT ADDRESS/CONTACT INFORMATION (if different than above)

Mailing	<input type="text"/>
Address 2	<input type="text"/>
City/Town	<input type="text"/>
State/Province	<input type="text"/>
ZIP/Postal Code	<input type="text"/>
Email Address	<input type="text"/>
Phone Number	<input type="text"/>

*** 4. SCHOLASTIC INFORMATION & RECORDS**

Name of the college/university CURRENTLY attending (must be accredited public/private college/university in the U.S. or its territories)	
CURRENT college/university website link	
Specify whether semester or trimester system	
Average # of credits you carry each semester or trimester	
Number of credits earned by the end of Fall 2024 semester or trimester at the CURRENT college/university (Do not count AP credits)	
CURRENT Cumulative GPA	
Name of the college/university you intend to GRADUATE from if different from your current school (must be accredited public/private college/university in the U.S. or its territories)	
GRADUATION College/University website link	
How many AP credits earned in high school have you applied toward your undergraduate degree?	
Number of college credits earned at other colleges or universities that you are applying towards your undergraduate degree.	
Credits earned at your current college or university	
Credits, after Fall 2024, needed to complete your undergraduate degree.	

*** 5. Expected Undergraduate graduation date (month/year)**

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* 6. DEGREE PROGRAM (major and/or study emphasis)

*See drop down list on application online.	
Anything about your current degree program, GPA, or information on your transcript that you'd like to explain.	

7. Program type (see drop down menu online)

*8. FINANCIAL EXPENSES **expected in 2025 academic year**: Please answer with dollar amounts, write "Not Applicable" for any that do not apply to you.

Tuition	
Books/Supplies	
Room & Board	
Transportation	
Medical	
Personal	
TOTAL (sum above amounts)	

* 9. FINANCIAL RESOURCES/INCOME (how have you covered your annual college expenses to date:) Please answer with dollar amounts, write "Not Applicable" for any that do not apply to you.

Student Loan monies to be used in the next academic year	
Student Grant monies to be used in the next academic year	
Scholarship monies to be used in the next academic year	
Work income	
Family contributions	
TOTAL (sum above amounts)	

10. COLLEGE ACADEMIC EXTRACURRICULARS - Please list your current and past ACADEMIC extracurricular activities (or reference your attached resume if they are included there):

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11. COLLEGE NON-ACADEMIC EXTRACURRICULARS - Please list your current and past COLLEGE NON-ACADEMIC extracurricular activities including paid work (or reference your attached resume if they are included there):

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REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS:

The following attachments are required to be uploaded or submitted by email to asfpmfoundations@floods.org by February 1, 2025 for your application to be considered complete.

You may upload/attach the required attachments individually (using fields #11-16 below), OR use field #17 below to submit all attachments as one document (if you have already merged/scanned these documents into one document and the file size is 16MB or smaller).

12. **CITIZENSHIP STATUS:** Please upload proof of US citizenship or permanent resident alien status here. Acceptable proof includes copy of passport, birth certificate, or permanent resident alien VISA.

File size limit is 16MB. Only PDF, PNG, JPG, JPEG, GIF files are supported. If you prefer, documents may be submitted via email to asfpmfoundation@floods.org . All materials must be received no later than February 1, 2025.

13. **OFFICIAL OR UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT(S), INCLUDING PROOF OF CUMULATIVE GPA:** Please upload transcript with your cumulative GPA through the Fall 2024 semester (or trimester equivalent) here, and transcripts from any previously attended colleges or universities.

File size limit is 16MB. Only PDF, PNG, JPG, JPEG, GIF files are supported. If you prefer, documents may be submitted via email to asfpmfoundation@floods.org . All materials must be received no later than February 1, 2025.

14. **RESUME:** Please upload your resume with employment history as well as list of awards, achievements or honors here.

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15. **ESSAY QUESTION 1** - please upload here.

ESSAY INSTRUCTIONS: Provide a short, original essay (limit 750 words) describing your personal background, including how or why you became interested in flood issues or how you became interested in the Future Leaders Scholarship. Feel free to include how your completed and planned coursework will prepare you for a career in addressing flood issues and/or any statement of financial need.

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16. **ESSAY QUESTION 2** - please upload here.

ESSAY INSTRUCTIONS: Provide a short, original essay (limit 750 words) answering the following: What do you see as the challenges for reducing the risk and impacts of floods on people and communities today, and how do you believe you can contribute (make a difference) in addressing flood issues in the United States and its territories in the future?

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17. **COMMENTS / NOTES:** Is there anything else you think we should know about you or your application?

18. **ALL SUPPORT DOCUMENTS AS ONE ATTACHMENT:** Use this field ONLY if you have already merged all 8 of the support documents listed above into one document. Please upload that document here.

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* 19. VERIFICATION OF APPLICANT'S IDENTITY: I hereby attest that the information provided is correct and true.

Enter your full name:

Enter today's date:

