



Air & Waste Management Association Great Basin Chapter 2026 Scholarship

Objective

The Great Basin Chapter of the Air & Waste Management Association (AWMA) is pleased to announce the 2026 Scholarship Award Program to recognize outstanding students pursuing a career in air quality, waste management, environmental management/law, or sustainability. Founded in 1907, the AWMA's mission is to assist in the professional development and critical environmental decision-making of our members to benefit society. It provides a neutral forum where all viewpoints of an environmental management issue (technical, scientific, economic, social, political, and public health) receive equal consideration.

Award

Up to \$1,000 in scholarship(s) will be awarded. Scholarship awards and amounts will be distributed on the basis of academic record and career goals as judged by an independent review panel. The successful scholarship recipients will be presented with their award during the summer semester and will be honored at the Great Basin Chapter annual dinner in the fall of 2026. A free 1-year student AWMA membership will be reimbursed for each awardee.

Eligibility

Applicants must be enrolled in programs at a Utah school of higher education for the 2026 – 2027 school year that will lead to employment in an environmental profession. The minimum required cumulative GPA to submit an application is 3.0. Previous AWMA GBC scholarship recipients are not eligible.

Evaluation Criteria

Applicants will be evaluated based on description of career goals in relation to AWMA's mission, extra-curricular activities, GPA, and reference letter(s). All applications will be judged by an independent review panel, without consideration of sex, race, national origin, age, or physical disability.



Applications

All applications must be received no later than 11:59 PM Mountain Time, Sunday June 21, 2026. Applications received after the deadline may not be guaranteed review. Please email all application materials to Michael McCarthy (contact information below) with the subject line "AWMA GBC Scholarship Application: [INSERT APPLICANT NAME HERE]."

To apply, complete and email the following:

1. Cover Page (attached)
2. A 500-word essay of your career goals in air quality, waste management, pollution control, environmental management/law, or sustainability.
3. A resume
4. A copy of your transcript (unofficial transcripts are acceptable)
5. A letter or letters of reference from a faculty member or employer.

Email questions and completed applications to:

Michael McCarthy

Education Chair

Air & Waste Management Association, Great Basin Chapter

mmccarthy@ramboll.com

Awards will be announced by July 17, 2026.



Scholarship Application Cover Page

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip code: _____

Telephone number: _____

E-mail: _____

College attending: _____

Major: _____ Degree sought: _____

Expected graduation date: _____

Supporting Documents

_____ Completed Application

_____ Goals essay

_____ Resume

_____ College Transcript

_____ Reference letter(s) from _____