



### **Scholarship – College Professional**

The Arizona Parks & Recreation Fellowship (APRF) and the Arizona Parks & Recreation Association annually awards scholarships to fulltime parks and recreation professionals majoring in parks, recreation, natural resources, tourism or related field throughout Arizona

Scholarship winners will be awarded up to \$500 and recognized through APRF/APRA print and e-media as well as the Annual Arizona Parks and Recreation Association Conference and Trade Show.

#### **Scholarships are evaluated on the following criteria:**

- Completed applicant information form
- Professional statement
- Professional resume (2 pages maximum)
- Letter of recommendation from a current faculty member (2 letters maximum)
- Letter of professional support from current supervisor
- Preference given for members that have served a minimum of 12 hours towards APRF/APRA programs/events within the last 12 months

#### **General Guidelines:**

- Must be a full-time parks and recreation professional
- Enrolled in a parks, recreation, natural resources, tourism or related field professional degree program
- Students must have a 3.0 GPA in their major and an overall, cumulative GPA of 2.5
- Membership in the Arizona Parks and Recreation Association is encouraged, but not required

#### **Application Procedures:**

- Email completed application to the APRF Scholarship Committee at [scholarships@aprf.org](mailto:scholarships@aprf.org)
- All requested information must be submitted with the application
- If you have any questions regarding the application, email the APRF Scholarship Committee at [scholarships@aprf.org](mailto:scholarships@aprf.org)

#### **Scholarship Review Timeline**

- Applications submitted January – March; review begins April 1
- Applications submitted April – June; review begins July 1
- Applications submitted July – September; review begins October 1
- Applications submitted October – December; review begins January 1

*Applicants will be notified by the end of the month following each review date. There is limited funding available. Once the funding threshold has been met, no additional scholarships will be awarded for that year.*

**Applicant Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parks and recreation organization \_\_\_\_\_

Position Title \_\_\_\_\_

Name of current supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name of College/University \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_

Total GPA \_\_\_\_\_ GPA in Major \_\_\_\_\_ Total Credit Hours \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Hours in Major \_\_\_\_\_

I am a(n)  Undergraduate  Graduate

Number of service hours towards APRF/APRA programs/events in the last 12 months \_\_\_\_\_

Please list APRF/APRA programs/events

**Certification by applicant**

I certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that false statements of facts may subject me to disqualification.

By checking this box and entering my name below, I am electronically signing my application.

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Required application information checklist:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Completed and signed applicant information form        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Professional statement                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Professional resume (2 pages maximum)                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Letter of recommendation from a current faculty member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Letter of professional support from current supervisor |

**Professional Statement**

Please state your academic and professional goals, and describe how accomplishing these goals will support parks, recreation and leisure services. Provide a response using 12 point Calibri or Times New Roman font in a maximum of one page.

**Professional Resume**

Include your professional purpose summary, experience, education, professional development, volunteerism, certifications, awards and achievements in two pages maximum.