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Introduction

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The Student Scholarship is presented to an outstanding undergraduate or graduate student in recognition of continuous extraordinary community service or contributions to the parks and recreation field. The Scholarship provides selected students (up to 2) with the opportunity to explore the operation of NRPA at the 2019 NRPA Annual Conference. Participants will meet with NRPA leadership, and will attend various conference sessions and meetings with their assigned mentor. A primary focus of the program is to inspire future participation and leadership in the National Recreation and Park Association and to develop professional contacts with NRPA professionals from around the nation. Conference registration will be complimentary, a travel stipend will be provided, and hotel expenses will be reimbursed.

Deadline for application submission is March 29, 2019

Eligibility Criteria:

- Current NRPA student member at time of nomination.
- Currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program
- Have completed a minimum of 30 semester hours, or equivalent quarter hours
- Have a minimum of 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale or equivalent in recreation/park courses
- Have completed a minimum of six semester hours, or equivalent quarters, in the recreation/parks curriculum or related field
- Must not be employed full-time in park and recreation
- The intention of the scholarship is to support up and coming professionals with less than 5 years park and recreation experience.
- Have demonstrated leadership or employment in campus organizations/activities related to the profession
- May only apply for one fellowship or one scholarship per year
- Must attend the 2019 NRPA Annual Conference in Baltimore, MD, September, 24-26, 2019

Application Materials:

- Answers to the questions provided below
- Resume including work, education and volunteer experience
- Letter of recommendation from school advisor, professor or field employer

Application Instructions

- All applications must be received by NRPA no later than 11:59 p.m. EST on March 29, 2019.
- Applicant may only use this official application form.
- All supplemental materials must be submitted electronically in either Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF format.
- Application is automatically disqualified if it does not meet criteria or submission instructions.
- This format has a save and continue feature that is located at the bottom of the question pages.
- For more information, contact the NRPA Awards Program at (703) 858-2196 or awards@nrpa.org.

Applicant Information

First Name *	
Middle Initial *	
Last Name *	
University / College *	

Phone Number *
Address *
City / State / Zip *
Email Address *
NRPA Membership Number *

In order to enhance your fellowship experience with a mentor that closely aligns with your interest, please choose one of the following interest areas:		
☐ Administrators		
☐ Armed Forces Recreation		
Aquatics		
Education (post-baccalaureate)		
Inclusion and Accessibility		
Park and Conservation		
Essay Questions		
Please provide answers to the questions below:		
1. Describe specific ways attending the NRPA National Conference will benefit your career path. (250 word maximum) *		

2. Describe your work experience (paid and/or volunteer) in parks and recreation. Include the nature of the work, responsibilities, and total hours. (250 word maximum) *		
3. Describe your passion and enthusiasm for the field of parks and		
recreation. How do you inspire action in others? (250 word maximum) *		
4. Describe your professional goals. (250 word maximum) *		

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Attached Docume	ents
	a resume including work, education, and volunteer (1MB maximum) *
	a letter of recommendation from a school advisor, professor, or . (1MB maximum) *