



2025 NOWRA Educational Scholarship

Background:

NOWRA's Educational Scholarships support the professional development of young and early career professionals in the onsite wastewater sector. Two candidates will be selected based on their career aspirations and commitment to the onsite sector.

General Information:

- NOWRA will award two scholarships of \$2,000 each for educational expenses.
- Scholarship recipients will be recognized on the NOWRA website and social media.
- Scholarship recipients will also receive a year of student level membership to NOWRA.

Eligibility:

1. Applicants must be enrolled at least part time in a trade school, university, or college in 2025.
2. Applicants must be pursuing a degree or certification in a topic related to wastewater treatment and/or environmental policy and management. Academic programs that are applicable include:
 - Civil engineering
 - Environmental engineering
 - Agricultural engineering
 - Water resource management
 - Environmental policy
 - Environmental science
 - Agricultural sciences
 - Environmental health
 - Public health and policy
 - Plumbing or construction schools
 - Related Fields
3. Applicants must be younger than 35 years old **or** fewer than 5 years of experience in the onsite wastewater field.
4. Applicants must provide a complete application package including: Application form, biography, written criteria, proof of enrollment (i.e. academic transcript, letter of enrollment, etc.), and a resume (2 page maximum).
5. NOWRA or state affiliate membership is encouraged but not required.

Scholarship Deadlines and Timeline:

- Scholarship applications will remain open until 11:59 PM Eastern time on **August 15th, 2025**.
- The winners will be announced at the 2025 Onsite Wastewater Mega Conference on **October 19-22, 2025** in Sandusky, Ohio. In person attendance to the conference is highly encouraged but not required.
- Disbursement of the funds will occur shortly after the Mega Conference.

If you're unsure about your eligibility or need help with the application, please contact us at info@nowra.org



National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association

Scholarship Application:

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone number: _____

E-mail: _____

Date of birth: _____

Do you have fewer than 5 years of experience in the onsite wastewater sector: Yes No

Name of university/college/trade school currently enrolled in: _____

Topic of Major/Minor/certificate: _____

Anticipated graduation date: _____

Anticipated degree or title upon completion: _____

Are you a NOWRA member: Yes No

Are you member of an affiliate NOWRA organization: _____

If yes, what organization: _____

How did you hear about this scholarship? _____

Academic Details:

Cumulative Grade Point Average: _____

Biography:

Provide a brief (150 word maximum) biography describing your life and general career pursuits. Please submit this as an additional page to this application.

Written Criteria:

Provide an essay (500 word max) describing your interest in the onsite wastewater sector and any experience you have in this area. Additionally, how do your career pursuits relate to the onsite sector? Please submit this as an additional page to this application.

Attach resume (2-page max) & proof of enrollment to the end of the application

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Return completed applications via email to:

info@nowra.org