



2026 NSPS and AAGS Scholarship Application Form



Eligible applicants must be living in or attending an educational institution in the United States or its territories, subject to specific guidelines as stated in Memorandums of Understanding (MOU's) with our donors.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please complete the application by typing or printing legibly. Only complete signed applications with all required documentation will be considered. Please submit the following items with this completed application form.

- A copy of your 2025 Spring transcripts and a copy of your 2025 Fall transcripts.
- Three original letters of recommendation from individuals who are not related to the applicant. One must be from a faculty member of the attended institution. All must be signed and addressed to the Scholarship Selection Committee at the address noted below.
- A personal introductory letter addressed to the NSPS Foundation Scholarship Selection Committee, not to exceed 850 words on a single-spaced paper, indicating why you chose your current field of study and any commitment to furthering your education beyond your current degree program. The letter should also include any involvement in community activities, extracurricular school activities, any awards and honors you have received, your career goals, any information on significant financial difficulties you are experiencing, and why you feel you should be selected to receive the scholarship. Composition through Artificial Intelligence is prohibited.
- A copy of driver's license or other State-Issued ID (copies of both front and back).
- A copy of course syllabus or program course catalog showing specific course or subjects required by Scholarship.

NOTE: THE APPLICATION AND ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY FEBRUARY 2, 2026 - 5:00 PM EASTERN.

Mail Application to NSPS/AAGS Scholarships, 21 Byte Court, Ste H, Frederick, MD 21702 or email complete Application as a PDF document to: sara.maggi@nsp.us.com (Subject: 2026 Scholarship)

(If references would like to mail or email their reference letter to NSPS/AAGS it will be accepted)

Inquiries: 240-439-4615 or sara.maggi@nsp.us.com

Application deadline – **February 2, 2026**

DECLARATION

I certify that the information provided in this application is true and accurate. I further certify that if for any reason should I elect to substantially change my proposed program of study prior to receiving any monies, I will immediately inform NSPS or AAGS, as appropriate, and if requested, make arrangements to return any money awarded.

Signature of applicant

Date

NOTE: NSPS, AAGS and the NSPS Foundation, its officers, members, employees and agents, (herein collectively referred to as the "NSPS",) will exercise its best efforts to keep information provided by you in this application confidential. NSPS will not intentionally disclose your information to any third party not affiliated with the NSPS. NSPS will not sell any portion of your information to any third party. Your information will be examined by NSPS in connection with your request for a scholarship. NSPS shall not be liable for disclosure of your information to any third party not affiliated with the NSPS as a result of its carelessness, negligence, or gross negligence. Your signature on this application shall constitute a release of liability to NSPS.

PERSONAL INFORMATON

Full Name _____
(Last) (First) (Middle or Initial)

Date of Birth ____ / ____ / ____

Current Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____ Email Address _____

US Citizen? Yes No

Your Current State of Legal Residence _____

If you moved into a state for the sole purpose of attending a college/university, do not count that state as your legal residence

Membership # AAGS _____ Membership # NSPS _____

(Note: You can send a check with this application to apply for membership or visit www.nspis.us.com or www.aagsmo.org to join online.) (\$20.00 for AAGS STUDENT MEMBERSHIP AND \$10.00 for NSPS MEMBERSHIP)

EDUCATIONAL DETAILS

College or University _____

City _____ State _____

College (i.e.: College of Science & Technology) _____

Program Major (i.e.: Geomatics, Geodesy, Surveying Engineering, etc.) _____

Program Degree Type Associate's Bachelor's Other _____

Is the Program ABET Accredited Yes No

Current Academic Class High School Senior Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Graduate Student

GPA _____ Exp. Grad. Date _____

Date of Enrollment _____ Full Time Student Part Time Student

Faculty advisor _____ Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

List All High Schools, Colleges & Universities attended - Dates, Courses or Programs, and any degrees or certificates received

2025 NSPS and AAGS Scholarships

(You may apply for more than one scholarship on this application)

Category 2 and Category 3 AAGS Dracup Scholarship require AAGS Student Membership

Category 1, 3 and 4 require NSPS Student Membership

Category 1:

Students enrolled in (2) two- year degree programs in surveying technology.

- Berntsen International Scholarship in Surveying Technology (\$2000)

Category 2: Must be an AAGS Student Member

Only Students enrolled in, or accepted to, a graduate program in geodetic surveying or geodesy.

- American Association for Geodetic Surveying Graduate Fellowship (AAGS) (\$2000)

Category 3:

Students enrolled in (4) four-year degree programs in surveying (or in closely related degree programs such as geomatics or surveying engineering.)

- AAGS Joseph F. Dracup Scholarship (\$2000) Preference will be given to applicants enrolled in programs with significant focus on geodetic surveying. **Must be an AAGS Student Member**
- NSPS Scholarship (\$2000)
- Nettie Dracup Memorial Scholarship (3 Awards \$5000 each) Open only to undergraduate students that are enrolled in an ABET accredited Geodetic Surveying Degree program. (Prior recipients of this award are eligible)
- Schonstedt Scholarship in Surveying (\$2000) Preference will be given to those students enrolled in their Junior and Senior years of study.
- Walter Robillard Scholarship in Surveying (\$2500) Open to any full-time undergraduate student enrolled in a (4) four-year ABET accredited surveying, geomatics, or geodesy college or university program.

Category 4:

Students enrolled in (2) two or (4) four-year surveying (and closely related) degree programs, either full or part-time.

- NSPS Board of Directors Scholarship (\$2000) Open to students enrolled in a (2) two-year or (4) four-year degree program in surveying, who are in their junior year of study and who have maintained a minimum 3.0 grade point average.
- New Jersey Society of Prof. Land Surveyors Scholarship for Land Surveying Education (\$5000) Open to students in either a (2) two or (4) four-year ABET accredited program in land surveying or a closely related field. Preference will be given to New Jersey residents.
- Cady McDonnel Memorial Scholarship (\$5000) Open only to female students enrolled in a (2) two or (4) four-year surveying or related degree program and are legal residents of one of the following states: AL, AZ, CA, CO, HI, ID, MT, NV, NM, OR, UT, WA or WY. – Must include proof of legal residency.
- Tri-State Surveying and Photogrammetry Kris M. Kunz Memorial Scholarship (\$2500) Students taking college level courses in Business Administration or Management. 1st Preference will go to PLS's or Certified Photogrammetrists – 2nd Preference to certified land surveying interns – 3rd Preference to full time students in a (2) two or (4) year Surveying and Mapping program.

Category 4 Continued:

Students enrolled in (2) two or (4) four-year surveying (and closely related) degree programs, either full or part-time.

- ❑ Lowell H. and Dorothy Loving Undergraduate Scholarship (\$2000) Open only to students currently enrolled in their junior or senior academic year of (4) four-year surveying program which must include any two of the following courses: Geometric geodesy, photogrammetry/remote sensing, or analysis and design of spatial measurement. Copy of a program course catalog must be supplied with the application.
- ❑ Slavoj (Dr. Ing Desider E.) Scholarship (\$5000) Open only to students enrolled in either a (2) two or (4) four-year undergraduate program at an ABET accredited college or university leading to a degree in Surveying Engineering.
- ❑ Thomas A. Foote Memorial Scholarship (\$2000) Open to a full or part time student enrolled in a program leading to either a (2) two or (4) four-year degree in land surveying or a closely related field. The student must be a resident of Nevada or enrolled in a Land Surveying or Geomatics College or University program within the State of Nevada.
- ❑ Geographic and Land Information Society Scholarship (\$1000) Open to any student enrolled in a (2) two or (4) four-year degree program in Surveying or Geomatics. The student must have a GPA of 2.8 or higher for the previous academic year of the program coursework and show an interest in integration of surveying and GIS.
- ❑ Public Land Survey System Foundation Scholarship (\$1500) Open to any student enrolled in a (2) two-year undergraduate degree program that includes the Public Land Survey System as a course or subject within a course as shown in the course syllabus or program course catalog, *a copy of which must be submitted with the application.*
- ❑ Public Land Survey System Foundation Scholarship (\$2500) Open to any student enrolled in a (4) four-year undergraduate degree program that includes the Public Land Survey System as a course or subject within a course as shown in the course syllabus or program catalog, *a copy of which must be submitted with the application.*
- ❑ West Virginia Society of Professional Surveyors Scholarship (\$3000) Open to students that are enrolled in either a (2) two or (4) four-year surveying degree program and are either a West Virginia resident or a student enrolled in a West Virginia College or University.
- ❑ Trimble Scholarship (\$5000) Open to students enrolled in either a (2) two or (4) four-year undergraduate program at an ABET accredited college or university leading to a degree in Surveying Engineering.

Category 5 – AAGS or NSPS Membership NOT required if only applying for this Scholarship

Students enrolled as a High School Senior; or students enrolled in a (2) two or (4) four-year surveying (or closely related) degree program, either full or part-time. Restricted to prior Trig-Star Math Competition participants.

- ❑ Trig-Star Scholarship (\$7500) Open to a student that plans to enroll or is enrolled in a (2) two- or (4) four-year surveying (or closely related) degree program, either full or part-time. Student must have a GPA of 2.7 or higher for the previous academic term. **Enrollment will be verified prior to the award of the scholarship.**

REMINDERS

- Do not send application by fax
- Include copies of transcripts or have them emailed directly to sara.maggi@nsps.us.com
- Include one copy of completed application if sending by mail
- Mail to NSPS and AAGS Scholarships, 21 Byte Court, Ste H, Frederick, MD 21702
- Application and Documentation may be emailed to: sara.maggi@nsps.us.com as ONE PDF
- Deadline to receive applications is February 2, 2026

CHECKLIST

Make sure all information and documents required have been supplied and included with this application. Incomplete applications or application packages missing documentation required by a Scholarship will not be considered.

- Completed Application and Required Documentation
- Personal Introductory Letter, 850 words maximum, single spaced
- Three Letters of Recommendation – One must be from a Current Faculty Member
- A copy of your 2025 Spring transcripts and a copy of your 2025 Fall transcripts
- Copy of course syllabus or program course catalog as required by Scholarship
- Copy of Driver's License – front and back