What is the Jeanne E. Harris Chrysalis Scholarship?

The Jeanne E. Harris Chrysalis Scholarship provides degree-completion funding for women geoscience graduate students whose education has been significantly interrupted by life circumstances. Awarded funds are intended to cover costs associated with completion of her thesis/dissertation, beyond what is traditionally covered by primary research funding. Costs may include drafting expenses, child-care, defense travel, late-stage research and analyses (incurred due to the interruption), or anything necessary to assist a candidate during those critical, final days.

**Consideration will only be given for interruptions incurred during the current graduate degree.**

Award Amount

Up to $2,000 and a one-year student membership with AWG

Eligibility

A qualified applicant must be:

- A graduate student who has had an interruption in academic progress of her current degree program due to life circumstances.
- Approaching the completion phase of her geoscience degree.
- Someone who has contributed to, and will continue to contribute to, both the geosciences and the larger world community through her academic and personal strengths.

Required Application Materials

1. A letter of application in which the applicant describes her background, career goals and objectives, how the scholarship will be used, and the nature and length of the interruption to her education. An estimated date of completion must be provided.

2. Letters of reference from the applicant's thesis/dissertation advisor and another scientist of her choice. Both letters should specifically address the eligibility criteria and the topics in #1 above.

All application materials should be clearly labeled with the applicant's name, physical mailing address, and phone number. Application materials, or questions about the Jeanne E. Harris Chrysalis Scholarship, should be sent to chrysalis@awg.org, with "Jeanne E. Harris Chrysalis Scholarship" in the subject line. The Jeanne E. Harris Chrysalis Scholarship is sponsored by the AWG Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization, and the Jeanne E. Harris Chrysalis Scholarship Committee.