

## **Policies and Procedures**

### ➤ **Student Scholarship Awards**

A letter will be sent out to the various Kentucky university chairs or other contacts at the first of the year.

The requirements for a student to receive a \$500 check to be used as the student wishes are:

1. Attend a college or university in Kentucky.
2. (pending a vote) Be a Kentucky resident.
3. Have a junior or above status and majoring in geology.
4. Have an overall grade point average of 2.75 or above and a 3.00 or above in geology.
5. This all should be presented in the letter of recommendation from the chair or student advisor and mailed in by March 1 to:

Larry Rhodes, nominating committee chair  
KY-AIPG  
PO Box 22521  
Lexington, KY 40522

Below is a sample letter that can be used as a guide when mailing out to the universities requesting nominations.

### **AIPG Letterhead**

Date

Dr. Rocky Rock  
Any Kentucky University  
Department of Geology  
500 Rocky road  
Limestone, KY 00000

Dear Dr. Rock:

The Kentucky Section of the American Institute of Professional Geologists (AIPG) is currently soliciting nominations from colleges and universities across Kentucky, for awards to be presented to deserving undergraduate students of geology. As you are likely aware, one of AIPG's objectives is to promote geology and raise public awareness about the importance of geology in our lives. One of the ways AIPG hopes to accomplish this goal is to offer cash awards to students from Kentucky colleges and universities to help defray the costs of higher education.

AIPG maintains a Student Award Fund from which two students annually (typically, depending on the balance) are awarded for their achievements. The awards are usually presented in conjunction with the Kentucky Geological Survey Annual Meeting in May. AIPG is requesting your assistance with this process

by nominating one or two deserving students currently attending Eastern Kentucky University. To qualify for the award, the student nominee must:

1. Attend a Kentucky College or University.
2. Have a junior status or above, majoring in geology.
3. Have an overall grade point average of at least 2.75 and at least a 3.0 in geology.
4. Submit a letter of recommendation from an advisor or department chair.

KY-AIPG will accept nominations for the student award through March 1<sup>st</sup>, YEAR. Please submit all nominations to the Ky. Section of AIPG, PO Box 24690, Lexington Kentucky, 40524-4690, to the attention of Larry Rhodes. Once all nominations have been received, the section's Awards Committee will review the materials received and make a final decision during our April meeting. The award recipients will be notified shortly thereafter.

KY-AIPG presents a check in the amount of \$500 to the chosen recipient at the Kentucky Geological Survey Annual Meeting in May.

AIPG always looks forward to honoring students for their efforts and achievements and hopes to be able to assist them as they embark upon their professional journey. We would like to thank you in advance, for your assistance and look forward to meeting the students in May.

Sincerely,

Stoney Graywacke  
President  
Ky. Section AIPG

**The following are contacts to whom the letters can be sent, be sure each year to follow-up with a call to see if there were any changes.**

Department Head  
Geography and Geology  
Environmental Science & Tech 304  
Western Kentucky University  
1906 College Heights Boulevard  
Bowling Green, KY 42101  
270.745.4555  
<http://www.wku.edu/Geo>

Department Chair  
Department of Geography and Geology  
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Eastern Kentucky University

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Director of Undergraduate Studies  
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departments\\_programs  
/EarthEnvironmentalSciences  
/EarthEnvironmentalSciences  
/FacultyResearch/Profiles/Pages  
/default.aspx](http://www.as.uky.edu/academics/departments_programs/EarthEnvironmentalSciences/EarthEnvironmentalSciences/FacultyResearch/Profiles/Pages/default.aspx)

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Professor of Geoscience  
Earth and Space Science Teaching  
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Richmond, KY 40475-3102  
859.622.1273  
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Morehead, KY 40351  
606.783.2166  
<http://www.moreheadstate.edu/ess>

Department Chair  
Department of Physics and Geology  
250 Natural Science Center  
Northern Kentucky University  
Highland Heights, KY 41099  
859.572.5412  
<http://geology.nku.edu/index.php>

Department Chair  
Department of Geosciences  
104A Wilson Hall  
Murray State University  
Murray, KY 42071  
270.809.2493  
<http://www2.murraystate.edu/qaid/cos/geo/geo.htm>

➤ **Geologists of the Year Award**

A notice will be sent to the KY-AIPG membership at the beginning of the year to solicit nominations (does not have to be a KY-AIPG member) for “Geologist of the Year.” A letter of recommendation with accomplishments must be sent in by March 1 and addressed to:

Attn Larry Rhodes, nominating committee chair  
KY-AIPG  
PO Box 22521  
Lexington, KY 40522

The recipient will receive the award at the Kentucky Geological Survey Annual Meeting in May.

➤ **Lifetime Achievement Award**

A notice will be sent to the KY-AIPG membership at the beginning of the year to solicit nominations (has to be a KY-AIPG member) for “Lifetime Achievement Award.” A letter of recommendation with accomplishments must be sent in by March 1 and addressed to:

Attn Larry Rhodes, nominating committee chair  
KY-AIPG  
PO Box 22521  
Lexington, KY 40522

The recipient will receive the award at the Kentucky Geological Survey Annual Meeting in May.

- Field trip leaders do not have to pay for the trip or the banquet.
- Example of various types of letters sent to award recipients appear below.