

Background

The purpose of the Akron Section of the Society of Plastics Engineers Scholarship Program is to promote knowledge in polymer science, engineering, and technology. Started in 1990, it has awarded over \$285,000 to area students. Preference is given to students enrolling in two- and four-year programs with a focus on plastics and polymers.

Scholarships up to \$3000 per year will be awarded and can be used for tuition, books, laboratory fees, and other educational costs necessary to earn a certificate or associate or baccalaureate degree in preparation for a career in polymers.

Selection Criteria

1. Scholastic Achievement
2. Interest in a plastics career
3. Extracurricular activities
4. Financial need
5. Two letters of reference from instructors or supervisors. (to be included with application)
6. Residence within area covered by Akron SPE.

First-time Applicants

Interested students from local high schools, technical, and vocational schools, and area colleges are encouraged to fill out the attached SPE Scholarship Application form, including the essay, references, and current transcript. Students are encouraged to discuss their interests in plastics

All scholarships are awarded for one year with option for renewal. The awards are for full-time students only. Co-op students are also eligible.

Scholarship applications
should be sent to:

**Akron SPE
Attn: Kevin Cavicchi
250 S. Forge St.
Akron, OH 44325-0301**

- OR -

kac58@uakron.edu

Deadline is March 16, 2012.

Renewal Applicants

Renewal Instructions:

1. Maintain a minimum **2.5/4.0** grade point average or equivalent.
2. Submit grade reports and course selections demonstrating polymer-related curriculum prior to start of next semester.
3. Apply for renewal scholarship using SPE application form. (References and essay are not required for renewal.)

Names of scholarship recipients will be distributed to donor companies for possible internship or cooperative programs.

The number of scholarships awarded per year will be variable depending on the number of qualifying applicants.

Please visit <http://www.akronspe.org/education.htm> for more information and to download the application form.

2010 Award Recipients

Rubbermaid Scholarship

Marissa Tousley
Alfred University

Ken Sharp Memorial Scholarship

Brian Phillips
The Ohio State University

Goodyear Scholarship

Kathleen Angel
The University of Akron

Jim Steiner Memorial Scholarship

Samantha Moskowitz
The Ohio State University

SPE – Special Merit Scholarships

Haley Cherniuk
Virginia Tech

Sophie Grosinsky
Carnegie Mellon University

Matthew Konderson
The Ohio State University

Andrew McBain
Purdue University

Alexander Schaefer
The University of Akron

Alex Szyborski
University of Notre Dame

Scholarships Available

Goodyear Tire & Rubber
Company

Rubbermaid

Kenneth L Sharp Memorial
Scholarship

Jim Steiner Memorial
Scholarship

SPE - Akron Section
Special Merit Awards

The Society of
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Akron Section

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