



WaterJAM Scholarship: *Women in Water*

WAVE committee's WaterJAM Scholarships is funded through the Virginia Section AWWA and VWEA.

PURPOSE of AWARD

The WAVE Committee will award a scholarship to attend WaterJAM. The scholarship includes conference registration, and up to \$500 for travel expense reimbursements (can include transportation and meals) within the VA AWWA and VWEA guidelines for reimbursements.

ELIGIBILITY/GUIDELINES

- Nominate yourself or someone identifying as a woman that is a full-time employee at a company that works directly in the water industry and an **active membership of VWEA or VA AWWA is preferred but not required**.
- Acceptance of scholarship constitutes permission to use the recipient's name and scholarship story for the purpose of promotion. It also certifies you will attend the conference, if you are for any reason unable to attend please alert us with at least two weeks notice, so funds can be redistributed to another applicant.

Ineligible: Previous recipients and current DEI Committee leadership, including Chairs, Vice Chairs, Operations Manager, and Workstream Leads.

EVALUATION

Winners will be selected at random.

CONFERENCE REQUIREMENTS/ATTENDANCE

By applying for this scholarship, you agree to attend various conference sessions and activities as outlined by the WAVE Committee. A list of required activities will be provided prior to the conference and will be based on the technical program for that year. Attendance at other conference activities is highly recommended but is at your discretion.

APPLICATION PROCESS -DEADLINE/SELECTION

To apply for the WaterJAM Scholarship, complete the application online. The following page will prepare you for the questions/essay you must complete. Questions must be completed within the word count, and a passion for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the water industry must be demonstrated.

All applications for the WATERJAM scholarship must be submitted online by Friday, July 17th , 2026.

QUESTIONS

Please get in touch with Geneva Hudgins at geneva.hudgins@vaawwa.org with any questions.

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:

Organization:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Member of
AWWA/Virginia
Section

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Yes

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No

Member of WEF/VWEA:

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Yes

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No

EMPLOYMENT (check those that apply)

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Customer Service

☐

Human Resources

☐

Financial Operations

☐

Education and Communications

☐

Engineering

☐

Operations

☐

Consultant

☐

Sales

☐

Administrative

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Other

EMPLOYMENT

- Employer
- Current Position
- Would this be your first time attending WaterJAM

ADVERTISING QUESTION

- How did you hear about the scholarship:
 - o Previous winner
 - o Email promotion
 - o Social media (LinkedIn)
 - o DEI Newsletter
 - o Website
 - o Word of Mouth
 - o Other

SHORT ESSAY QUESTIONS: *Max 500 words*

- ***What qualifications or accomplishments make you or your nominee a strong candidate for the WaterJAM scholarship?***

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information included in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and I grant permission to AWWA's DEI and Virginia Section to release my name, essay responses and or photo for promotional use.

Signature: _____ Date: _____