

Association of Natural Resource Extension Professionals

2025 Professional Development Scholarship Application

Instructions

To improve your chances of success, the following instructions and tips are provided. The ANREP Scholarship Committee will only consider complete applications.

How much money is available? You may apply for up to \$825 to attend relevant professional development activities. Preference will be given to those presenting.

When can you apply? Scholarships are generally awarded in the off-conference year (odd years). To be eligible to receive funding, your application must be received by the Scholarship Committee chair in advance of the professional development activity that you would like to participate in. Scholarships are awarded based on the criteria below. Applications will be reviewed when received until this year's funds are exhausted. Members will receive a response within 10 business days.

How do you apply? Submit a <u>complete online application</u> on the ANREP member portal.

Application Criteria: Your application will be evaluated and ranked based on the following criteria:

- [REQUIRED] Applicants must be a paid ANREP member in good standing in the current year of application.
- How well the proposal fits ANREP's mission and the purpose of the Scholarship program.
- How well the proposal describes the benefit to the applicant of attending the event and how that in turn will benefit natural resources education.
- Type of activity. Activities that include presenting at an event, course work or training will be given higher priority.

- Quality of the professional development activity and consistency with your professional development goals.
- Conciseness and quality of application.

<u>What are the expectations?</u> Within 60 days of completion of the activity, scholarship recipients must provide an article for the ANREP newsletter about how the professional development event benefited them. This article should be submitted on this <u>online</u> form.

Recipients are informally asked to acknowledge ANREP funding in writing or verbally as practical. For example, if the recipient produces a publication or educational product as a result of the professional development activity, ANREP funding should be noted in an acknowledgements section. If a presentation is given, ANREP funds should be acknowledged at the opening or closing of a presentation.

<u>How is the award distributed</u>? Once travel is completed, awardees submit ANREP's travel reimbursement form to the ANREP Treasurer with receipts and will receive payment up to the amount of the scholarship.

Please consider:

- □ Is your application form complete?
- Have you considered the need to obtain approval from your institution to participate in the professional development activity? Note - you are not required to send documentation of approval to the Scholarship Committee.
- □ Will this funding completely cover your expenses, or do you need to locate additional funding?