

Geological Society of Nevada Foundation



2175 Raggio Parkway, Room 107 • Reno, NV 89512 • USA
(775) 323-3500 • FAX (775) 323-3599
gsn@gsnv.org • www.gsnv.org

GSN-D.D. LaPointe Scholarship Fund General Guidelines

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY OF CANDIDATES

The **GSN-D.D. LaPointe Scholarship Fund** shall be used to assist in the education of undergraduate and graduate students studying at UNR Mackay School of Earth Sciences and Engineering for a degree in the earth sciences related to the minerals field. Major fields of study recognized by GSN for this scholarship may include geological sciences, geological engineering, economic geology, and other related majors. The main criterion for awarding this scholarship will be a demonstrated interest in and commitment to the minerals industry.

There are no requirements regarding age, sex, citizenship, race or religion.

The scholarship pool for 2026 is **\$12,000**. The amount to be awarded will be determined following the committee's evaluation of the applicant pool.

Scholarship recipients may be assisted for a maximum period of two years.

All scholarship awards must meet the following criteria:

- All candidates must be full-time students studying at UNR Mackay School of Earth Sciences and Engineering for a degree in the earth sciences related to the minerals field and must maintain full-time status to receive this award.
- The candidate must be a student member in good standing of GSN (www.gsnv.org). Student membership in the GSN is \$25 and provides access to the membership directory, digital newsletter and e-mail distribution of employment opportunities.
- On request, the student will give a research update to the scholarship committee and may be asked to present at a local GSN meeting.

Candidates will submit an application that contains the following:

- Personal/contact Information on the attached pages
- Current grade transcript
- One-page statement of career goals and experience, interest in, or commitment to the minerals industry
- Reference letters from one professor and one work supervisor

PLEASE COMBINE ALL OF YOUR APPLICATION MATERIALS INTO ONE MASTER.PDF FILE AND NAME AS FOLLOWS: i.e., Jones 2026 GSN DD LaPointe App.pdf

All applications materials for this scholarship, accompanied by transcripts and supporting letters of recommendation must be received by the GSN Foundation by **May 31, 2026**. Applications may be delivered via e-mail to Bob Felder at bfelder56@sbcglobal.net

The GSN evaluation committee may call the candidates for a brief interview. The scholarship funds will be awarded prior to the beginning of the Fall 2026 school year.

GSN-D.D. LA POINTE SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION

Date: _____

Student's Name (First, Middle, Last): _____

Date of Birth: _____

Name of College/University: _____ Degree Sought: _____

Major: _____ Year in College: _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____ Re-Application? (yes/no): _____

Student's Present School Address:

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

E-Mail address: _____

Students Permanent Address (all mail will be sent to this address):

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

E-Mail address: _____

Not to be filled in by applicant:

AUTHORIZATION OF SCHOLARSHIP: Amount granted \$ _____ for one year at
the meeting of the GSN Scholarship Fund Committee held on _____
at _____

GSN-D.D. LA POINTE SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION – PAGE 2

1. Student's Name: _____

Major: _____ Expected Date of Graduation: _____

2. Cumulative GPA: _____ Major GPA: _____

3. Professional organization associations (include member ID #s): _____

4. Past and current employment (employer name, address, phone), dates of employment, and job description

5. Extra-curricular activities: _____

6. Current Scholarships:

Name of Scholarship(s): _____ Amount: _____

Name of Scholarship(s): _____ Amount: _____

List 2 people – one professor and a current or previous employer – whom you have asked to provide letters of recommendation for this application. Please provide phone or e-mail contact for each.

i) Name and contact information: _____

ii) Name and contact information: _____

7. How would you plan to utilize the scholarship money toward field work or analytical costs?

8. Please attach a brief (1-2 page) statement describing your interest in and commitment to pursuing a career in the minerals industry

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____