

GACDS SCHOLARSHIP

The Georgia Association of Conservation District Supervisors (GACDS) is a nonprofit that works statewide to promote the conservation of natural resources. GACDS, in partnership with other organizations and agencies, conducts training for the state's soil and water conservation district supervisors and educates the public on natural resources issues. Information on GACDS' programs may be found at www.gacds.org.

GACDS awards an annual scholarship of \$1000 to encourage study and careers in soil and water conservation related fields. Awards will be given to students majoring in, or intending to major in, a soil and water conservation related area. Acceptable areas of study include, but are not limited to, agricultural education, agronomy, horticulture, plant pathology, and agricultural communications.

The applicant may be a graduate student, senior, junior, sophomore or freshman from Georgia at any accredited college, school, or university in the United States. Students must maintain a GPA of at least 2.75 and be financially needy. There will be no discrimination on basis of race, sex, or religion.

The Scholarship Committee will determine the recipient of the annual scholarship. The scholarship winner will be recognized at the GACDS Annual Meeting in January. Disbursements will be made in two payments of \$500 paid to the student upon receipt of proof of satisfactory completion of each of two semesters of full-time academic work.

GACDS AUXILIARY

The GACDS Auxiliary will award an annual scholarship of \$1000, which will be disbursed in two installments of \$500 upon satisfactory completion of each of the two semesters of full-time academic work. The scholarship winner will be recognized at the GACDS Annual Meeting in January.

GARLAND & ANITA THOMPSON FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

The Garland & Anita Thompson Family Scholarship was established in 2009 in memory of Mrs. Anita Burton Thompson. Mr. Garland Thompson has promoted the conservation of natural resources throughout his agribusiness career and as Chairman of the Georgia Soil and Water Conservation Commission.

Applicants may be graduate students, seniors, juniors, sophomores or freshmen from Georgia who are attending any accredited college, school, or university in the United States. One payment of \$1000 will be presented to the scholarship recipient at the GACDS Annual Meeting held in January.

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- * Students may submit one application to be considered for the three scholarships; individuals may receive only one award.
 - * Applications and a current transcript must be received by **October 15th**.
 - * Please contact Crista Carrell with any questions: ccarrell@gacds.org or (706)424-9154.

List any scholarships you have received or will receive (source, amount, and years)

Is financial aid a major reason for applying for a scholarship? If yes, explain

Honors and awards: honorary organizations, professional societies, and offices held in college (list high school honors and awards if you are a college freshman)

In the space below, you may include any information that you would like the scholarship committee to know. *Please do not attach additional pages to the application.*

List three references who know of your academic and career goals.

Name _____ Title _____

Relationship to Applicant _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

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Signature of Applicant _____

Date _____

**Mail applications and current transcript to: GACDS, P.O. Box 111, Athens, GA 30603
OR**

E-mail applications and current transcript to: ccarrell@gacds.org

Contact: Crista Carrell (706)424-9154