

OVERVIEW

The J.H. Fletcher & Co. Scholarship is awarded annually to one or more students pursuing an undergraduate degree in mining or minerals engineering, with a desire to use their skills to apply technology to improve safety and productivity in underground mining. Students pursuing degrees in mechanical or electrical engineering may also be considered if they are minoring in mining engineering or show a strong desire for a career in the underground mining industry.

Eligible students may submit one application in consideration for the J.H. Fletcher & Co. Scholarship.

TIMELINE

The J.H. Fletcher & Co. Scholarship adheres to the following timeline:

Date	Task
September 1 - October 15	Applications accepted
October 1	Application initiation deadline – (Note: All applications should be initiated by this date to allow plenty of time for receipt of letters of recommendation prior to the October 15 deadline.)
October 15	Application deadline
December 1	Selection deadline
December 2	Applicant notification
December 15	Check(s) mailed
SME Annual Conference & Expo	Recipient(s) are recognized at the SME Foundation Dinner

APPLICANT QUALIFICATIONS

The J.H. Fletcher & Co. Scholarship applicants must meet the following criteria:

1. Have completed at least two years of undergraduate studies with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0.
2. Be an SME student member in good standing.
3. Attend a degree program that is [ABET](#) accredited and/or has an [SME student chapter](#).
4. Demonstrate a desire for and a probability of success in a career in underground mining.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

The J.H. Fletcher & Co. Scholarship applications must be submitted online via SME's scholarship portal smenet.org/students/grants-scholarships. The online application requires the following information:

1. Demographic and contact information.
2. Short statement (one page) describing applicant's interest in/passion for a career in underground mining.
3. Two references, one from university faculty and one from an appropriate industry professional.
4. Résumé showing your career objective, detailing past education, and work experience.
5. Copy of most recent transcript (unofficial transcripts are okay).
6. Anticipated expenses/income for the current academic year.

AWARD

The J.H. Fletcher & Co. Scholarship is a renewable scholarship with total funding determined annually by the SME Foundation Scholarship Committee.

RECIPIENT SELECTION

Fletcher Scholarship recipients are eligible for a second year of funding. Recipients are required to submit the following information by July 1 following their Junior year for consideration for Senior year funding to scholarships@smenet.org:

1. Copy of most recent transcript.
2. A letter from faculty confirming that the student continues to be enrolled, is active in the program, and is in good academic standing.
3. An updated statement describing work and educational experiences since the receipt of the first scholarship.
4. A demonstration of the need for continuing financial aid.

Fletcher Scholarship renewal is subject to approval by the SME Foundation Scholarship Committee, with final approval by a committee constituted for this purpose.

QUESTIONS

Questions may be directed to:

SME Scholarship Coordinator at scholarships@smenet.org or
SME Member Services Department 303-948-4200