



## The Nature Institute Scholarship Awards Application Form

### Purpose

The purpose of The Nature Institute Scholarship award is to provide college scholarship awards to students who demonstrate an interest in positively impacting the natural world through their field of study. Two scholarship awards have been established to honor individuals who have made contributions to their community through volunteerism and environmental stewardship.

### Awards

Up to two scholarship awards are available in amounts up to \$2500. Awards are for one year only. All scholarship awards will be paid directly to the education institution the student will be attending.

### Eligibility

1. Applicants must be high school seniors (or equivalent) enrolling in higher education.
2. Applicants must be at least part time undergraduate students attending an accredited college, university, or technical school.
3. Applicants must live in a community served by The Nature Institute (within ~ 30 miles of TNI)
4. Applicants must be US citizens.

The TNI scholarship awards are awarded without regard to race, sex, religion, age, national origin, or sexual orientation. TNI will not award scholarships to applicants who are not qualified and reserves the right not to award a scholarship in a given year.

### Selection Criteria

1. Demonstrated volunteerism in the community.
2. Student essay
3. Completed application

Note: Extra consideration will be given to applicants that have volunteered with The Nature Institute.

### Application Requirements

To be considered for a TNI scholarship award, applicants must complete an application and return it to TNI by **Apr 10, 2026**. The application must include:

1. A completed application form. *Only completed application forms will be considered.*
2. A one page (<1500 words) essay answering the following question. **How will your intended degree impact the natural world in a positive way?**

*Both of the above items must be submitted before the application will be considered.*

### Submission of Application Form

The application form is a [google form](#) and can be found at [www.thenatureinstitute.org/collegescholarship](http://www.thenatureinstitute.org/collegescholarship). Fill it out completely electronically. The one page essay should be submitted as a pdf file to [info@thenatureinstitute.org](mailto:info@thenatureinstitute.org) with applicant's name as part of the file name.

Questions about the application process may be directed to [info@thenatureinstitute.org](mailto:info@thenatureinstitute.org) or 618-466-9930

**Note that all application materials must be received by April 10th.**