THSOA Southeast Chapter
2026 - 2027 Scholarship Application

Deadline: November 30, 2026 | Awarded: January 1, 2027

Please complete the entire application with correct and up-to-date information to ensure a timely response.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address:_____ (for mailing and correspondence)

City: _____State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email:_____

Please choose one of the following: U.S. Citizen Permanent resident Student Visa-Education

Additional Information:

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY/HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION:

Current College/University/High School:

Name: _____

Location: _____

Year most recently completed:

2-year degree: first second

4-year degree: first second third fourth

Graduate: first second

Major course of study:

Hydrographic Surveying Ocean Mapping

Geomatics Ocean Sciences

Geographic Info Systems(GIS) Ocean Engineering

Electrical Engineering Other (please specify): _____

Current GPA: *(Based on 4.0 scale)* _____

Have you applied for a national or regional (THSOA chapter) scholarship?

Yes | No

If yes, which one? _____ Date: _____

CERTIFICATION and SIGNATURE

If awarded this scholarship, I understand the award will be used for the sole purpose of paying for documented college/university related expenses. In addition, I certify that the information provided is true and correct.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

REQUIREMENTS and CHECKLIST

1. Application completed (this form)
2. Resumé
3. Short essay of about 750 words, explaining your career goals in the hydrographic survey profession or related field
4. Recommendation letter from faculty
5. High school or college transcript - Official Transcript to be submitted from institution and mailed to:

THSOA-Southeast Chapter Education Committee,
Attn: Scholarships
4813 Meadow Crest Drive, New Iberia Louisiana 70560
or thsoa.sechapter@gmail.com

6. Optional additional information

SUBMITTAL ADDRESS and QUESTIONS

Please return the entire application packet electronically or by mail to:
THSOA-Southeast Chapter Education Committee,
Attn: Scholarships
4813 Meadow Crest Drive, New Iberia Louisiana 70560

Questions? Contact the THSOA-Southeast Chapter or Mike Nitska:
thsoa.sechapter@gmail.com
mike.nitska@hydroterratec.com

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA and AWARD PROCESS
Scholarships are available to an applicant who meets the following criteria.

- Is a full-time college student (undergraduate- 12 credits/semester, graduate - 6 credits/semester), who is currently enrolled in a college or university located in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, or South Carolina in a two year, four year or a graduate program (see item 2 above) and demonstrates a keen interest in pursuing a career in hydrographic surveying or related fields.
- High school senior who has applied and been accepted in a full-time U.S. college or university located in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, or South Carolina (see item 2 above) with accreditation recognized by the U. S. Department of Education, and who also demonstrates a keen interest in pursuing a career in hydrographic surveying or related fields.

Applicants must be a citizen, permanent resident of the U.S., or hold a student, educational based visa.
If an applicant holds a student visa and is fully funded by GEBCO or NOAA, they cannot apply.
Applicants must be a THSOA member in good standing.
Applications for the current scholarship award will be accepted between October 12 and November 30, 2026 (school year 2026 - 2027).
Applications will be reviewed by the THSOA-Southeast Chapter Education Committee.
Scholarship winners will be announced by January 1, 2027.
For the 2026 - 2027 academic year, awards are expected to be: 20 x $1000.00 scholarships.
Selection will be based on a combination of academic performance, letters of recommendation, and answers documented in the application process.
Students cannot receive THSOA Southeast Chapter and THSOA National scholarship in the same year.