

Tennessee Tech University

Scholarship / Earth Sciences

TTU Earth Sciences Alumni Scholarship and Walter Helton Scholarship Applicants:

Submit a written essay (one 8-1/2 x 11 page typed) explaining how a degree in geology fits into your professional and/or life goals. Include any special circumstances that you think the faculty should be aware of in making our decision. In addition, please answer the following questions:

How many semesters have you been registered as a geology major (at Tech or elsewhere)? _____

What is your geology quality point average? _____

Are you a dues-paid member of Geo-Club this year? _____ Are you, or have you ever been, a Geo-Club officer? _____ If so, what office(s)/years? _____

Please list all special geologic presentations or guest speakers you have attended at Kittrell Hall (or elsewhere on campus). Include seminar talks or field trip talks given by your fellow students. _____

Have you represented the Department of Earth Sciences at Geo-conclave? _____ If so, what year(s) and in what capacities? (Even if you didn't compete yourself, but were there to cheer your fellow students on, please let us know.) _____

Please list the name, meeting place, and meeting date of any professional geological society or other scientific society meeting, such as the Geological Society of America or the Tennessee Academy of Science, which you have attended. _____

Did you give a paper at the meeting(s)? _____

Have you ever been invited to serve the Department of Earth Sciences as a lab assistant? _____ If so, in what class(es)? _____

Have you ever actually served as a lab assistant? _____ If so, in which semesters and in which labs? _____

Have you ever participated in the annual spring field trip? _____ If so, in which years? _____

Have you attended a summer geology field camp? _____ If so, which camp and year? _____

Do you plan to go to graduate school in geology or other earth science field? _____

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Criteria considered in awarding the TTU Earth Sciences Alumni Scholarship and the Walter Helton Scholarship is as follows:

- Academic standing with a GPA of 2.75 shall be of major importance.
- Scholarship (including, but not limited to GPA, presentation of a paper at a scientific meeting, publishing a paper, winning a research competition, etc.) shall be of major importance.
- Financial need shall be of moderate importance. A financial need statement must be included by each applicant. Other means of establishing financial need may be considered by the faculty.
- Service to and participation in the Department of Earth Sciences shall be of moderate importance.
- A statement and other indications of the significance of an applicant's career goals, as they relate to geology, shall be of minor importance.

Glasscock Scholarship Applicants:

Please submit a written letter of application in addition to the University Scholarship Application. In your letter of application you should show that you 1). have officially declared geology as your first or second major for at least one full semester; 2). have at least one full academic year remaining before graduation; 3). you have not previously received the Glasscock Award; 4). you expect to be enrolled at TTU as a geology major for the duration of the coming academic year. You should also indicate how you fit Dr. Glasscock's criteria listed below, even if you do not fit all of them. Finally, if you feel you have any special qualifications or circumstances you wish the committee to take into consideration, please explain them in your letter.

Glasscock Statement of Criteria:

"Each applicant should demonstrate true financial need and most likely should come from the small towns in the Middle Tennessee area. The student does not necessarily have to have an 'A' average, but should demonstrate in some way that he or she has an aptitude for college level work. Enthusiasm, sincerity, and motivation are important factors that I would like to see used as a basis for selection as well as academic standing."

Special Instructions and Notices:

- All written materials should be mailed to: Scholarship Manager, Tennessee Technological University, Box 5166, Cookeville, TN 38505-0001, and should include name and T number.
- All prospective and currently enrolled Earth Sciences majors are encouraged to apply for Earth Sciences scholarships.
- Recipients of Earth Sciences scholarships will be recognized during the annual Honors Evening.