

Maine GIS User Group - Angela Stokes Scholarship and Grant Program

Application for Undergraduate Students, High School
and Middle School Educators, and Youth Group Leaders

*If you know an undergraduate student or high school, middle school educator, or
youth group leader, please pass on this application.*



Application

(Application may be obtained from website: <http://www.megug.org/home/scholarship.html>)

Return Completed Application to:

Dr. Vinton Valentine
University of Southern Maine
303 Bailey Hall
37 College Avenue
Gorham, Maine 04038
scholarship@megug.org

Application Deadline:
31 March 2009

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Purpose:

The purpose of this scholarship and grant program is to encourage and support students to undertake and complete commendable GIS projects. The program is in memoriam of Angela Stokes, a previous winner of this scholarship who passed away February 1st, 2006.

Maine GIS User Group (MEGUG) hopes to make awards annually, providing financial assistance in the form of scholarships and grants. Our goal is to award one \$1000 scholarship and two \$500 grants each year. Maine college and university undergraduates are eligible for the \$1000 scholarship. Maine educators of grades 6 through 12 and Maine youth group leaders of the same grade groups can apply for the \$500 grants.

Requirements for receiving a scholarship or grant:

- ◆ The applicant must be enrolled in a Maine college or university, or must be a Maine educator of Maine high school or middle school age students, or must be a Maine youth group leader for the same 6 – 12 grade range
- ◆ The applicant must submit a completed application
- ◆ The applicant must complete the proposed work within 1 year of the award
- ◆ The applicant must present their work at a MEGUG-sponsored meeting within six months from the end of the project
- ◆ MEGUG will be given permission to use the project materials to promote the scholarship and grant program and to advance the mission of MEGUG
- ◆ MEGUG asks that ownership of any purchases (equipment, data, etc.) be transferred to the host school or group for use by other students and educators.

Deadline:

The deadline for submitting a completed application is 31 March 2009.

Applications are available at the MEGUG website at <http://www.megug.org/home/scholarship.html>.

Evaluation:

The MEGUG Scholarship Committee will evaluate and score all applications based on the information provided by the applicant and make recommendations to the MEGUG Board. Review and scoring will occur in April. The MEGUG Board will select the award recipients. The Board reserves the right to not award any scholarships or grants. Announcement of awards is anticipated for 1 May or shortly thereafter. Disbursement schedule is at the Board's discretion.

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MEGUG - Angela Stokes Scholarship and Grant Application Guidelines

Please complete the attached **MEGUG – Angela Stokes Scholarship and Grant Application Form** and submit with the following items. Photocopies of this application form are acceptable. Please type or print clearly and complete the entire application.

1. Description of the project – limit of 2 pages. Please include a statement of the research or project questions and objectives, the method(s) planned to accomplish the objectives, the significance of the research or project, and work plan including a time line for the project and how the funds will be used. If this application is for a group or class project, an additional page must be added to this section that lists the names and grade of the students who would be involved in the project.
2. Personal statement – limit of 1 page. Please describe your current educational goals and interests related to GIS, including why you chose to apply to this program. Please also explain your reasoning in choosing your field of study, along with how your professional ambitions and career goals relate to GIS.
3. Three letters of recommendation. One of the three letters must be from a teacher, faculty member, or other person who can speak in detail about your project. Others can speak to your character, academic achievements, practical experience with GIS, and extracurricular activities.

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Please type or print the following information.

Name:

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Check one: _____ Educator (class or group project)
_____ Student (individual project)

Permanent Address: _____

Daytime Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail: _____

Recommendations

Please indicate the names and contact information of your references below.

1) Name: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

2) Name: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

3) Name: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

I certify that the information given in this application is true and accurate.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Date: _____