

# Western Dredging Association – Gulf Coast

## 2019 STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

If you are currently a student member, or wish to become a member, of the Western Dredging Association and currently enrolled in a university or technical program (see eligibility requirements below), you are invited to submit a short essay on a dredging related topic for consideration in the 2019 WEDA Gulf Coast Student Scholarship competition.

### ELIGIBILITY

Must satisfy the following:

- Currently enrolled in a university or technical program within the geographic area of the WEDA Gulf Coast Chapter (Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, or Alabama)
- Complete Short Essay Requirement and submit by the deadline.
- Applicant must be a current Student Member of WEDA. To Register as a Student Member you must visit the following website: <https://westerndredging.org/index.php/join-weda>. The Student Membership fee is \$25 for 1 year.
- Applicant must be available to attend the WEDA Gulf Coast Conference in Galveston, TX, November 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>, to accept award in person.

### AWARD

- \$2,500 Scholarship
- Hosted as a guest of honor at the WEDA Gulf Coast Conference.
- Plaque of Recognition

### SHORT ESSAY

- Begin Essay with a brief background of yourself, this could include- University or Technical Program, highlight of personal interests, volunteer work, and work experience. (1 Paragraph)
- Paper must address a dredging related problem that you have witnessed or experienced within the dredging industry that you would like to share with industry professionals.

### ESSAY FORMAT

- Manuscripts must be submitted in English.
- Must be the only author of short essay. **No co-authors.**
- Maximum length: 3 typed pages, include title page and any necessary attachments.
- Paper to be written in Times New Roman font and in 12-point font size. Title of the paper should be in 14-point font size and use all capitals.
- Title page must entail title of paper, author's name and contact information, and the words "WEDA Gulf Coast"

### EVALUATION CRITERIA

- Originality – 20%
- Significance: Potential to contribute to the field of dredging – 20%
- Scope and Format: Technical and textual report structure, clarity, and writing style – 20%
- Validity: Technical soundness – 20%
- Applicability: Capacity for real-world use – 20%

### SUBMITTAL

Applications must be submitted electronically to the contact information below. **Deadline for receipt of the student paper entries is September 30, 2019, at 11:59 PM.** If the entry is received after this date, it will not be considered.

**SUBMITTALS AND/OR QUESTIONS:**

WEDA - Gulf Coast Chapter

Attn: WEDA Gulf Coast Scholarship

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