



2019 Ray Kessler Memorial Scholarship Sponsored by CWMA

The Ray Kessler Memorial Scholarship is designed to help Colorado Weed Management Association members who are seeking to further their job-related education while continuing their employment.

Guidelines

Up to \$1,500 in scholarship funds are to help defray tuition costs or registration fees for enrollment in courses and other formal educational programs for the purposes of improving skills to become leaders in invasive species management.

Eligibility

An applicant must be a CWMA member.

Applications will be considered for assistance with the costs of courses and other formal educational programs in which there is significant potential for the applicant to advance his/her professional skills and leadership capacities.

Acceptable educational projects would be: undergraduate or graduate for-credit courses; and short courses and workshops in agriculture, land management, invasive species management, or agribusiness, which provide a certification of completion. **Conferences and Trade Shows are not allowable.**

Examples of courses/workshops that may be eligible include:

- Western Invasive Weed Short Course
www.wsweedscience.org/shortcourse/shortcourse.asp
- PSPP 546-801: Herbicide Physiology
<http://btc.montana.edu/courses/aspx/descrip3.aspx?TheID=104>

Application Process

Applications must be submitted using the official Ray Kessler Memorial Scholarship application form.

- The 2019 Ray Kessler Memorial Scholarship application form must be submitted to the CWMA Scholarship Committee Chair: Alan Swartz, 6211 N. Dunkirk Court, Aurora CO 80019 or alanpaulswartz1943@gmail.com.
- Applications for the 2020 Ray Kessler Memorial Scholarship are due by November 15th, 2019.
- Awards will be announced at the Annual Conference.

Award Amount

A maximum of \$1,500 per recipient/educational program/year is available. The award is the amount of the course tuition or registration fee up to the \$1,500 maximum. The award will be based on review of application(s) received and available funds. The number of awards granted will be based on available funds as annually approved by the CWMA Board of Directors and the CWMA Scholarship Committee. CWMA reserves the right not to issue a scholarship.

Award

The award check will be made payable to the applicable course provider upon receipt of acceptance into the program. Please note the scholarship does not cover meals, lodging and other travel related expenses. Announcement of awards will be made during the CWMA Annual Conference.

Eligibility for Future Awards

An individual can only receive one scholarship per year. When applying for a future Ray Kessler Memorial Scholarship, former recipients must also include proof of completion of the previously funded educational program. A lifetime maximum of two awards will be given to any one recipient.

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Application Form**

SECTION ONE *(To be completed by the Applicant)*

A. The Applicant

Name:

Address:

City: State: Zip Code:

Daytime Telephone:

E-mail Address:

B. Career Plans

1. What continuing education course do you plan to attend? (Include the course name, institution, location, dates, time, cost, and brief description.) If possible include an advertisement/enrollment form for the event.

2. What certifications, licenses, and/or job requirements will this continuing education event satisfy?

3. Is the course being taken as a (select one)
first time__ repeat__ refresher class__

4. How will this course enhance your career? (Please limit your response to 500 words)

5. Please provide any other pertinent information about your career or educational aspirations that the awards committee should take into consideration? (Please limit your response to 500 words)

C. Employment

1. Applicant's current employer:

2. Employer's address:

3. Length of Employment:

4. Applicant's Position/Department/Division:

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