



INTERMOUNTAIN SECTION

American Water Works Association

Eva Nieminski Graduate Scholarship

Purpose:

The Eva Nieminski Graduate Scholarship was created by the Intermountain Section (IMS) of AWWA to encourage science education and training related to the fields of water quality, supply, or treatment and to support an outstanding graduate student in that field.

Eligibility:

Students are eligible to apply who are enrolled in a graduate science or engineering program in the Intermountain Section and whose research interests involve water quality, supply, or treatment. Students who have been accepted into such a graduate program but have not yet begun coursework are also eligible to apply. Applicants for this scholarship are considered without consideration of race, gender, color, or creed.

Students are eligible to receive an IMS-AWWA scholarship once per degree program and only one scholarship per year. However, students are encouraged to apply each year and apply for all scholarships they feel they are qualified to receive.

Timeline:

The application and all required supporting materials must be received by the Intermountain Section of the AWWA no later than **April 15, 2026**. Each applicant will be invited to a Zoom awards ceremony on May 8 where the recipients will be announced.

Support Provided:

This scholarship will be awarded as a one-time grant in the amount of **\$2,500** and a year's IMS-AWWA membership.

Application Requirements: The following materials are required:

- The application form (following page)
- A resume
- An essay regarding your academic interests and career goals and how they are relevant to water conservation, quality, supply, resources, reuse, or treatment in the Intermountain West. Include personal perspectives, not just technical content.
- Two letters of recommendation from professors or employers

Selection Criteria:

Members of IMS-AWWA's Student Outreach and Scholarship Committee will evaluate the applicants based on:

- The applicant's letters of recommendation
- The quality of the applicant's essay
- The applicant's potential to contribute to the field of water quality, supply, and treatment in the Intermountain Section

Submittal Instructions:

Please send the materials to Dani Zebelean, Scholarship Committee Chair, dzebelean@utah.gov a **single PDF** document named **EvaNieminski_Your_Name.pdf**. Include "Eva Nieminski Scholarship" in the subject line. Applications must be received by **April 15, 2026**. If recommenders prefer, they may submit letters directly to Ms. Zebelean.



Eva Nieminski Honorary Graduate Science and Engineering Scholarship

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

University: _____

Physical Address: _____

Degree Sought: _____

Expected Completion (month, year): _____

Reference 1: _____

Organization: _____

Department/Position: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____

Email: _____

Reference 2: _____

Organization: _____

Department/Position: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____

Email: _____