

2021 / 2022

Merjent Foundation Scholarship Application

**For the Merjent Foundation Academic Scholarship
and
The David Campbell Memorial Scholarship**



Application Deadline

November 1, 2021

Merjent Foundation

The Merjent Foundation is a 501(3)c dedicated to giving back to the communities where Merjent, Inc. employees live and work by lending financial support to charitable organizations and by fostering environmental stewardship wherever possible. Merjent, Inc. is an environmental consulting firm based in Minneapolis, Minnesota and serving clients throughout North America.

The Merjent Foundation's guiding principles are:

- Charity,
- Fairness,
- Respect, and
- Community Involvement.

Merjent Foundation Academic Scholarship

The Merjent Foundation Academic Scholarship is a one-time \$1,000.00 scholarship awarded to one individual who demonstrates academic success and intends to pursue a career in an [environmental field](#) (see below for examples).

David Campbell Memorial Scholarship

The David Campbell Memorial Scholarship is a one-time \$2,500.00 scholarship awarded to one individual who demonstrates academic success and intends to pursue a career in an [environmental field](#) (see below for examples).

Scholarship Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for the scholarships, each candidate must:

- Be an enrolled junior, senior, or graduate student at an accredited college or university;
- Have a minimum cumulative college grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale;
- Be enrolled in a degree program with the intention of pursuing a career in an environmental field. Degrees may include, but are not limited to: Environmental Sciences; Environmental Technology; Engineering; Biology; Fish and Wildlife Management; Soils; Anthropology; Archaeology; Environmental Law; Geographic Information Systems; and
- Participate in a phone interview with the Merjent Foundation Board of Directors if chosen as a finalist.

Application Packet

The application packet must include:

- An essay / personal statement (400 to 800 words);

- A minimum of one recommendation letter;
- A copy (a certified copy is not necessary) of your current college transcript to demonstrate a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0/ 4.0; and
- The completed scholarship application form.

Essay / Personal Statement

We are interested in getting to know applicants, why they are interested in careers in the environmental field, and why they believe they are good candidates for an environmental scholarship. Applicants should include relevant information about personal history, experiences, goals, and personal expectations that will help them reach their professional goals. Essays should contain 400 to 800 words.

Recommendation Letter

Applicants will provide at least one recommendation letter. The letter must be from a teacher, employer, or another personal reference that can speak to applicant's interest and experience in an environmental field. The letter may not be from a family member.

Application Format and Submittal Instructions

Applications shall be submitted via email by midnight on Monday, November 1, 2021.

Email application packets to: MerjentFoundation@Merjent.com in the following format:

- PDF all application components together and save with the file name Firstname_Lastname_app.pdf (e.g., Jane_Anderson_app.pdf).
- The email shall have the following subject line: **Merjent Foundation Scholarship Application**

The Merjent Foundation will send an email confirmation upon receipt of your application packet. Incomplete application packets will not be considered. Applications will be reviewed by the Merjent Foundation Board of Directors. Three finalists will be contacted via email by Monday, November 15, 2021, to schedule a phone interview. The scholarship recipient will be notified by email on or before Wednesday, December 15, 2021. The scholarship amount will be sent directly to the college financial office and applied to the recipient's 2022 Spring semester tuition. Prior to submitting their application, the applicant is responsible for determining whether the scholarship would adversely affect their financial aid eligibility.

Application Ineligibility

Students who have a parent or guardian that is a current Merjent, Inc. employee or students living at the same address as a current Merjent, Inc. employee are ineligible for this scholarship.

Application Checklist

This checklist is not part of the application but may help you ensure you have completed all parts of this application.

- Signed and dated application form;
- Transcript or proof of registration from your current college / university;
- Essay / personal statement (400 to 800 words); and
- Letter(s) of recommendation.

Questions?

If you have questions about the scholarship or application, please send an email to MerjentFoundation@Merjent.com.

Scholarship Application Form

2021 / 2022 Academic Year

Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

College / University: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip Code: _____

Financial Aid / Business Office Phone: _____

Major / Field of Study: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____ / 4.0

Brief Statement of Interest:

Scholarship Agreement

I, the undersigned scholarship applicant, attest that all information provided to Merjent Foundation in this application is true, complete, and correct. I understand that the information provided will be treated as confidential and is subject to verification by the Merjent Foundation.

Applicant Signature

Date