

Diversity in Safety Scholarship

The National Safety Council envisions building a workforce of environment and occupational, safety and health professionals that represent all of the cultures and ethnicities represented in the workforce. To achieve this vision, the Diversity in Safety Scholarship from NSC helps support students from diverse backgrounds who are pursuing safety as a career. The Diversity in Safety Scholarship provides the winner a \$5,000 tuition award, renewable up to four years.

All Diversity in Safety Scholarship recipients are also provided the opportunity to attend the NSC Safety Congress & Expo at no cost, with access to technical sessions, keynote addresses, an Expo of over 1,000 exhibitors and networking events. The NSC Safety Congress & Expo is the world's premier annual safety event, bringing together 14,000 occupational safety and health professionals from various industries.

Scholarship rules and guidelines

Eligibility

BIPOC individuals, people with disabilities and people who identify as LGBTQIA+ who are seeking post-secondary education leading to a career in environmental, health and/or safety.

Additional eligibility includes:

- Students attending community colleges, technical programs, apprenticeships or bachelor's degree programs within the United States (both in-person and online), enrolled full- or part-time; part-time candidates may receive a prorated award
- For those who are attending programs without EHS majors, at least 25 percent of course work each semester must be pursuing careers that are applicable to an EHS professional such as public health, engineering, human resources and other educational pursuits that relate to health and safety

Application and selection

- To be considered, applications must be fully completed and submitted online
- At least one and up to three letters of recommendation must be submitted with the application
- Completion of an application does not guarantee a scholarship award
- Finalists will be asked for additional information, verification of claims and to supply transcripts
- Finalists must pass a media review
- NSC staff and volunteers will have access to the information provided on all applications



Award Information

- Recipient will receive a check in the amount of \$5,000, payable to the university/college
- This award is renewable up to four years
- The \$5,000 award may be prorated if the recipient is not a full-time student
- Recipient must sign an acceptance agreement stipulating use of funds for tuition

NSC Safety Congress & Expo Attendance

- This scholarship will fully fund attendance to the NSC Safety Congress & Expo including registration, transportation, lodging and per diem
- All travel arrangements are completed by the National Safety Council system; other reservations or travel arrangements will not be reimbursed
- The total value of this scholarship varies annually by location of the NSC Safety Congress & Expo and by recipient due to variance in travel costs from around the country



Application Details

Please note, this is intended for planning purposes only. No paper or emailed applications will be accepted. Applications are accepted at [Submittable.com](https://www.submittable.com).

Essays:

- Why did you choose to study safety? (limit 500 words, approximately one page, single-spaced)
- How do you plan to impact diversity, equity and inclusion in safety? (limit 500 words, approximately one page, single-spaced)
- Why are you the best candidate to receive this scholarship? (limit 250 words, approximately one-half of one page, single-spaced)

Letter of recommendation (one is required; three may be submitted)

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