

## WASHINGTON STATE SFI® IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

### 2024-2025 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION & INSTRUCTIONS

#### For high school seniors / incoming college freshmen

The Washington State Sustainable Forestry Initiative<sup>®</sup> (SFI) Implementation Committee (WASIC) is accepting scholarship applications from students pursuing an education in Forestry or Natural Resources.

The scholarship is available to high school seniors, who will be attending, full-time (at least 12 units) during the 2024-2025 school year, a Forestry or Natural Resource program at one of the following schools:

- University of Washington, Seattle
- Washington State University, Pullman
- Green River Community College
- Spokane Community College
- Grays Harbor College
  or any SAF accredited Forestry or Natural Resource program.

The successful applicant will be awarded a one-time scholarship of up to \$2,000. To receive payment, the successful applicant will be required to submit Fall 2024 enrollment verification to WASIC.

The mission of the Washington State SFI Implementation Committee is to promote and foster an understanding of the Sustainable Forestry Initiative and to promote sustainable forestry practices on all forestlands in the state.

The current core priorities for the WASIC are to:

- Establish criteria and identify delivery mechanisms for contractor (e.g. logger) and forester training;
- Establish protocols for addressing inconsistent practices;
- Focus landowner outreach efforts on education and technical assistance;
- Focus public outreach efforts on increasing SFI program recognition and support among local opinion leaders and forestry professionals;
- Protect the integrity of the SFI program;
- Support the efforts of state and federal agencies to report harvest and regeneration statistics.

Complete and return the following application form to WASIC postmarked no later than April 1, 2024. The successful applicant will be notified in early June.

Electronic application forms are available on the Washington SIC website: <u>www.wasfi.org</u>. Applications must be submitted in paper form to the address on the application.



# 2024-2025 WASIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Applicant Name:		Date:	
Address:	City/State/Zip:		
E-Mail Address:			
Daytime Phone:			

 Name, address and program of the college or university you plan to attend the 2024-2025 school year: Name: Address: Program: Major:

Major:	Student ID (if available):
Have you contacted this school's representation	ative about your desired program? Yes No
Have you been accepted? 🗌 Yes 🗌 No	

- 2. Provide a one-page letter of reference from an individual that can comment on your potential for success in the profession of forestry or natural resource management.
- 3. Provide a copy of your college transcripts.
- 4. Have you filed a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)?

Yes	<b>N</b>	о
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5. Use 1-2 pages to describe in detail a personal statement about

A. your plans and goals related to a career in Forestry or Natural Resource Management. Include a concise definition of sustainable forestry.

B. your experiences and involvement in areas in which you have exhibited Leadership, Community Involvement, Personal Development, and Initiative and any obstacles you have faced. Explain how these experiences will help you achieve your career in Forestry or Natural Resource Management.

#### I hereby certify that the preceding and attached statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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> MAIL TO: WASIC Scholarship Application Committee c/o Lisa Perry, SPI 421 S. Front St. Shelton, WA 98584

For questions contact Lisa Perry lperry@spi-ind.com Applications Due: April 1, 2024