



2010 AMS Minority Scholarship Program APPLICATION FORM

The American Meteorological Society (AMS) Minority Scholarships help support the college educations of minority students traditionally underrepresented in the sciences, especially Hispanic, Native American, and Black/African American students, who intend to pursue careers in the atmospheric or related oceanic and hydrologic sciences. The two-year scholarships, funded by industry and through donations made by members to the AMS 21st Century Campaign, are for \$3000 for a nine-month period in the freshman year and an additional \$3000 for a nine-month period in the sophomore year. Second year funding depends on successful completion of the first academic year. Minority students who will be entering their freshman year of college in fall 2010 are eligible to apply. The application, including all supporting materials, must be postmarked by 5 February 2010. The announcement of winners is expected to be made in early May 2010. (The AMS does not prepare written evaluations of either successful or unsuccessful candidates.)

Please note that all eight sections must be completed and all supporting materials enclosed in order for your application to be considered.

1. Personal information. Type or print the following information in the blanks provided.

Name (last) _____ (first) _____ (middle initial) _____
Address _____ Date of birth _____
City _____ State _____ 9 digit Zip _____ Phone: (area code) _____ - _____ - _____
E-mail address (if available please print clearly) _____
Ethnic group (You may select more than one racial category.):

American Indian or Alaska Native Black or African American Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
Asian Hispanic or Latino Other (specify) _____

Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes _____ No _____ If not, do you have a permanent visa? Yes _____ No _____

Name of your high school _____ Phone: (area code) _____ - _____ - _____

2. Grades and Scores. GPA: _____ SAT scores: Writing _____ Math _____ Critical Reading _____ ACT average composite score: _____
Enclose a recent **official** transcript showing courses and grades for the past three years and a copy of your SAT and/or ACT scores.

Highest Level of Math taken to date: _____

3. Recommendation. Have one of your teachers or guidance counselors write a letter of recommendation supporting your application on school stationery, seal it in an envelope for confidentiality, and enclose it with your application. You do not need to send a copy of this letter to AMS.

4. Colleges/Universities and Anticipated Course of Study. List the colleges and/or universities to which you have applied or to which you are applying, and your anticipated course of study. **You must be entering your undergraduate studies with the intent on pursuing a career in the atmospheric and related oceanic or hydrologic sciences.**

School	Major
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5. Essay. Write a short essay (approximately 500 words) on the following theme and *enclose* it with your application. Half of the application evaluation will be based on this essay.

Theme. The environment is undergoing measurable changes on a global scale, some caused by human activities. Atmospheric scientists must describe, understand, and predict atmospheric conditions in the changing environment. How would you use your college education in atmospheric science (or a closely related field) to make your community a better place in which to live?

6. The local chapters of the AMS listed below have agreed to serve as points of collection and initial screening for all applications. **Send your complete application package to the local chapter listed below that is closest to you.** Send a **photocopy** of this form, transcripts, and your essay to the AMS, Attn: Minority Scholarship, 45 Beacon Street, Boston, MA 02108. Application packages must be postmarked by **5 February 2010**. Direct any questions to Donna Sampson, (617) 227-2426 ext. 246, dsampson@ametsoc.org.

7. Place a check in the box next to the address of the local chapter to which you are sending your complete application package.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> James Nelson
Anchorage Alaska Chapter
6930 Sand Lake Road
Anchorage, AK 99502 | <input type="checkbox"/> Allison Schauer
Wright Memorial Chapter
1319 Windsor Drive
Beavercreek, OH 45434 | <input type="checkbox"/> Andrea Bleistein
Washington, D.C. Chapter
2411 Arlington Blvd., #102
Arlington, VA 22201 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lew Fincher
Houston Chapter
PO Box 1426
Friendswood, TX 77549 | <input type="checkbox"/> Alan Gerard
Jackson Chapter
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234 Weather Service Drive
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Greater Miami Chapter
University of Miami-RSMAS
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8. Signature. I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the above information is correct (sign) _____