

# ALLEGHENY COLLEGE

## DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY

### Student scholarships available for 2019-20 professional development opportunities!

Each year, the Allegheny College Geology Department provides scholarships for up to four eligible students majoring in Geology and/or Environmental Science & Sustainability to earn valuable professional certifications.

#### Option #1: OSHA 40-hour online safety training course

##### What is this?

Professionals working in the environmental industry are required to complete a 40 hour OSHA safety training course before they can participate in field work. Students working as summer interns in the environmental industry also need to complete this training.



Online courses from Safety Unlimited are available to complete the training at a flexible pace and schedule. Students who successfully complete this training will have a competitive advantage when applying for summer internships in the environmental industry. **Students will be expected to complete the 40 hour online course over the Winter Break.**

##### Who can apply?

Current sophomores and/or juniors majoring in Geology and/or Environmental Science who:

- Maintain a 3.0 GPA in their major
- Have completed a minimum of 12 credits of coursework in their major at the 200-400 course level
- Exhibit the skills and interest required to be a successful intern

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### Option #2: Fundamentals of Geology (F.G.) Exam

#### What is this?

Professional licensure of geologists (the P.G. license) is a multi-year process that involves successful completion of two (2) four hour exams, coupled with five years of supervised work as a geologist. The first exam is the Fundamentals of Geology (F.G. exam). This exam can be taken as early as the senior year in college.

The F.G. exam is administered twice a year: once in March and once in October. Applications to sit for the exam are due four months before the exam date. The next exam will be offered on March 20, 2020 in most states across the country. The application deadline to be considered for the scholarship to cover the exam fee is November 10, 2019.

If awarded a scholarship, the student is expected to work with the Geology Department Chair to prepare an application for the F.G. exam and submit it no later than November 15, 2019. The scholarship covers the exam & application fee.

#### Who can apply?

Current seniors majoring in Geology who:

- Maintain a minimum of a 3.0 GPA
- Have completed appropriate Geology coursework (GEO 420, Structural Geology, is required as a prerequisite to the exam)

Students can apply for both opportunities but only one award will be granted to a student. **Online applications and supplemental materials are due for the F.G. Exam Scholarship by 5pm on Sunday November 10, 2019 and by 5pm on Monday, December 9, 2019 for the OSHA online training scholarship.** Visit the Allegheny College Geology Department website for links to the applications.

*Note: The OSHA course and/or F.G. exam each provide a form of professional certification. They are not credit bearing courses that will appear on your Allegheny transcript.*

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