

\$3,000 in GIS Scholarship Funding

Available for Undergraduate or Graduate Students

If you are an undergraduate student or graduate student enrolled at a Montana college or university carrying the minimum number of required credits in 2024/25, and are doing a geospatially-related project or research, you are eligible to receive up to \$3,000 in funding sponsored by the Montana Association of Geographic Information Professionals (MAGIP). Successful applicants will also be granted a complementary Big Sky GeoCon registration and \$150 in travel funds*.

To apply, please submit the following information:

At the beginning of your application, please state Your name and physical contact information, including phone number and email address, and also the name, affiliation, and contact information of the adviser on the project. To ensure that we can transfer funds to your educational institution we also need your student ID number. In the body of your application please provide:

- 1. A project proposal that clearly states the central question you seek to address, that includes:
- 2. A clear description of how, and what kind of geospatial information will be used in your project
- 3. A clear description of how you will evaluate the results of your project
- 4. A budget, describing how the awarded funds will be used to support the project
- 5. An indication of the number of credits you intend to take in each semester of the project**
- 6. One letter of recommendation supporting both the student and the proposed project

Applications are due by close of business March 25, 2024.

Please submit an electronic application at https://forms.gle/My9kvRJdih2aZ4fu8
The site will present you with a fillable form and opportunity to upload your project proposal and supporting reference letter in either *.pdf or *.docs format.

Applications will be forwarded to the selection committee and recipients will be contacted by email prior to April 12th, 2024. The selected candidate names will also be announced at this year's BigSky GeoCon. Recipients have the following school year to develop their research and will be expected to present their results at the next Big Sky GeoCon, for which they will receive a complimentary registration and a travel stipend if they travel 100 or more miles to attend. Recipients will also be required to submit a final project report upon project completion. If you are receiving financial aid in one or more forms, please consider your level of unmet needs and whether receipt of additional funds exceeds federal limits.

^{*}Travel stipends are awarded to applicants traveling 100 or more miles to attend Big Sky GeoCon, when in-person conferences are in session.

^{**}The number of credits per semester will help determine eligibility and how funds can be distributed