William R. Walker Graduate Research Fellow Award
Virginia Water Resources Research Center
2019

The Virginia Water Resources Research Center offered the first William R. Walker Graduate Research Fellow Award in 1999. The award is intended for individuals preparing for a professional career in water resources and enrolled as a student at Virginia Tech. The award is generally between $2,000 to $3,000. Only individuals pursuing graduate work in a field different from the field of emphasis as an undergraduate, or individuals with work experience returning to graduate school, are eligible to apply. The award will be effective the fall semester following the deadline date so incoming students are also eligible. Funds can be used at the recipient's discretion during residency at Virginia Tech as a student, for professional development (such as attending workshops and conferences) and purchasing materials that will enhance professional productivity (such as books and software).

Application deadline is July 25, 2019 at 5:00 PM. For further information, please contact Dr. Kevin McGuire, Virginia Water Resources Research Center at 540-231-6017 or E-mail: kevin.mcguire@vt.edu.

Instructions

Complete Application form available at: http://tinyurl.com/Walker-App

All materials are uploaded online by the applicant, except reference evaluations.

The online application form should be completed by the applicant. It includes:
- *Name, address, phone number etc.*
- *Undergraduate department, major, GPA*
- *List of academic honors*
- *Names, affiliations, and email addresses for 2 references*
- *An approximate 300-word essay (limited to 1700 characters) about your interest in water resources, your research, and professional goals. It must include a brief statement about your experiences and eligibility for the fellowship.*
- *Current resume in PDF format (2-page limit)*
- *Transcripts as one PDF formatted document*

References from individuals identified in the online application must be submitted through the online Recommendation Form by reference writers by the deadline.
- *Applicants are asked to submit the names of two references.*
- *The reference writers will receive an automated email with a link to complete the online Recommendation Form and submit a letter (PDF) via **http://tinyurl.com/Walker-recommend** within 5 days of the application due date. An email will be sent to the applicant when each recommendation is complete. However, it is the applicant's responsibility to remind the reference writers to submit their recommendations. If you plan on submitting your application close to the due date, please email your reference writers well ahead of time to allow for receipt of their recommendations before their due date.*