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Bursaries Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Who qualifies to receive a bursary?

A: A bursary will be awarded to a qualifying internationally trained candidate(s) that demonstrates financial need in fulfilling requirements for registration as a professional geoscientist.

Q: What type of bursaries do you offer?

A: The APGO Education Foundations offers three different types of bursaries; PPE Exam Bursary, Past President's Bursary, Arsalan Mohajer Bursary.

Q: What are the requirements to receive a bursary?

A:

PPE Exam Bursary: internationally training geoscientists with GIT designation from PGO to support study time and costs of writing PPE exam.

Past President's Bursary: support for internationally trained geoscientists if you are working on completing your knowledge requirements with PGO but need to complete additional courses.

Arsalan Mohajer Bursary: provides support for internationally trained geoscientists trained as geophysicists or environmental geoscientists to complete their registration with PGO.

Q: What is the amount of the bursaries?

A: The APGO Education Foundation awards bursaries from \$1500 - \$5000

Q: Where does the bursary come from? Do I have to pay it back?

A: The APGO Education Foundation provides funding for the bursary from its general fundraising efforts. It does not need to be repaid.

Q: Who decides on awarding the bursary?

A: A bursary application review committee will be established by the Education Foundation Board of Directors. The review committee will comprise a minimum of three members appointed by the Board. The committee will review the APGO application, work experience and financial need information and award the bursary to the most qualified applicant(s).

Q: Will my personal and financial information be kept confidential?

A: All information reviewed, discussed and decisions made by the committee are confidential. News of bursary applications and awards will be released only by the Board of Directors.

Q: Why do I need sponsors / references?

A: The APGO registration process requires references, so to be eligible sponsors / references must be provided to assess each applicant's suitability to receive a bursary based on merit. The Board of Directors will ensure a reference check of the final applicant considered for award. The sponsor / reference only needs to know the applicant and their work history well enough to comment on their application information and suitability to receive a merit-based award. The reference / sponsor does not need to be aware of the applicant's financial information.