# 2027 Scholarship Program Overview

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Dear Applicant,

The Gas Processors Association Midstream is the primary advocate for a sustainable midstream industry focused on enhancing the viability of natural gas and natural gas liquids processing. We provide local, regional and global forums to develop standards, conduct industry research, educate our workforce and improve operational safety. As advocates, we work with legislators and regulators to promote a safe and viable midstream industry.

As a regional chapter, the Appalachian Basin GPA Midstream (ABGPA Midstream) promotes regional growth within our industry by awarding financial support through our scholarship program that targets students interested in Midstream careers. ABGPA Midstream has been awarding scholarships and contributing to our communities since 2016.

This year, ABGPA Midstream has partnered in the past with the following institutions to help identify scholarship applicants:

- West Virginia University
- Pierpont Community & Technical College
- West Virginia Northern Community College
- Pittsburgh Technical College
- Westmoreland County Community College
- Community College of Beaver County
- Slippery Rock University
- University of Pittsburgh
- Stark State College
- Marietta College
- St. Francis University
- Fairmont State University
- Ohio State University
- Penn State University
- Lackawanna College
- Glenville State University

Students in technical programs from non-partner schools in the Appalachian region are eligible as well. Students who are sponsored by a current member of ABGPA Midstream may be from any post-secondary school. Students who are also working in the midstream industry may apply without necessarily being in a technical program.

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Appalachian-region schools are defined as schools located within the following states:

Pennsylvania / Ohio / West Virginia / Maryland / New York

Applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee, which will recommend qualified nominees to the Board of Directors.

The Scholarship Committee will evaluate applications based on merit of applicants who, through academic and extracurricular activities, demonstrate a desire to succeed and a commitment to making a positive contribution to others, and whose applications substantiate the minimum requirements noted below.

Applicants must meet the following qualifications:

1. Applicants must be enrolled in a trade school, undergraduate, or graduate program.
2. Applicants attending schools outside the Appalachian region are eligible only if sponsored by an active member of the ABGPA.
3. Applicants must have completed at least one internship or co-op for a company that services or owns and operates midstream oil and gas assets, unless enrolled in a technical/trade school program focused on skills necessary for the midstream oil and gas industry.
4. Applicants must possess a grade point average of 2.8 or greater on a 4.0 scale. Verification of GPA may be requested by the Scholarship Committee.
5. Applicant must be a U.S. Citizen.

Scholarship applications can be completed at abgpamidstream.org and letters of recommendation must be emailed to scholarship@abgpa.org by February 14, 2027, at midnight. The ABGPA Midstream Scholarship Committee will review the applications and award in March/April. You will find the application on our website Scholarship page.

Additional information regarding the ABGPA Midstream and our Scholarship program can be found at abgpamidstream.org.

Sincerely,

Steve Gronsky
Scholarship Committee Director

*The Appalachian Basin GPA Midstream Association Scholarship Committee shall not grant any advantage, deny benefits, or unfairly exclude any student from participation in the program on the basis of race, color, creed, sex, disability, national origin, marital status, political or religious beliefs, family, social or cultural background, or sexual orientation.*