



Society of Women Engineers

— Southwest Idaho Section —

SWE Scholarships

What are SWE Scholarships?

The Society of Women Engineers is a national organization that aims to encourage women to enter engineering. The Southwest Idaho SWE section offers scholarships to women from *anywhere* in Idaho planning to pursue a degree in engineering or an engineering-related field. Scholarships are usually about **\$2000** each and are based on merit. The number of scholarships and amounts vary each year depending on donations. In 2009 we awarded scholarships to 7 Idaho ladies.

Who are they for?

Any female from Idaho entering her freshman year of college may submit an application. Students must prove that they will be attending a 4- or 5-year engineering school (accredited by ABET, Accredited Board of Engineering and Technology) in the year that the scholarship is received.

The main consideration for selection will be the applicant's

- Essay on her desire to enter an engineering or engineering-related field and why that particular field interests her. The essay should not mention any specific companies.

The Scholarship Committee will also consider the applicant's

- Academic achievements, with an emphasis on math and science.
- Recommendation from a high school teacher.
- Extracurricular activities and accomplishments.

How do I apply?

Applications must be completed and **submitted via e-mail no later than midnight on March 1st, 2010**. All applicants will be notified of the results via email by April 12th, 2010. Scholarship awards will be presented at the SWE Scholarship Ceremony on April 30, 2010 from 7pm-8:30pm at BSU. All scholarship recipients should plan to attend. Scholarship checks will be issued after receiving proof of college registration in the fall.

To obtain a scholarship application, do one of the following:

- Download the application from the Southwest Idaho SWE Section website at: <http://swiswe.org/scholarships.html>. Be sure to download both the application form and the reference form.
- Ask your school guidance counselors. They may have paper copies of the scholarship applications.
- E-mail the scholarship committee (IdahoSWE@gmail.com) and we will e-mail you a copy of the scholarship forms.