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THE SARA SHALLENBERGER BROWN GCA NATIONAL PARKS CONSERVATION SCHOLARSHIP

Established to encourage field training related to conservation in America's National Parks, this scholarship provides financial support for college undergraduate students aged 19-20 seeking an apprentice crew leadership role with the Student Conservation Association (SCA), a national leader in youth service and stewardship.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Application and accompanying materials must be received at the Student Conservation Association by February 15. The Scholarship Committee meets each March; applicants will be notified shortly thereafter.

The Apprentice Crew Leader Program is designed to prepare students to become future conservation crew leaders. Apprentice crew leaders will work under the mentorship and supervision of a crew leader on an SCA High School Conservation Crew to assist in the leadership of that crew. The Apprentice Crew Leader will help lead many aspects of a crew including: 1.) Assist with project logistics and supervision of students during service projects and recreational trips as needed; 2.) Assist with the coordination and implementation of environmental education; 3.) Assist with risk management; and 4.) Assist with the management of food, gear and travel logistics.

Date of Application:
How did you learn about this scholarship?

PERSONAL DATA

Name:
Present Address:
Phone:
E-Mail:
Permanent Address:
Phone:

EDUCATION

Name of High School:
HS Graduation Year:
Present College/University:
Academic Concentration:
Anticipated Graduation Date:



WORK EXPERIENCE

Employment History (give dates):

ADDITIONAL RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Please rate your experience with the following. Provide additional information as needed.

	<u>Beginner</u>	<u>Intermediate</u>	<u>Extensive</u>	<u>Advanced / Expert</u>
Outdoor Living Skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Describe some of your outdoor experiences, including the longest time you have spent outdoors:

Trail Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Describe your physical labor experience and how it relates to trail work or restoration:

Hand Tools	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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What tools do you have experience using?

Environmental Studies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Comments/Notes:

Leave No Trace	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Comments/Notes:

Leadership	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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What is a leader?

What is your leadership style?

Youth Supervision	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Describe your experience working with youth:



CERTIFICATIONS / TRAININGS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> CPR | Expires |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wilderness First Responder | Expires |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wilderness First Aid | Expires |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Basic First Aid | Expires |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chainsaw | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LNT | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Life Guard | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION WITH SCA OR OTHER OUTDOOR PROGRAMS

Program Name:

Dates of Service:

Location:

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED

1. **SHORT ESSAY:** Please tell us what you know about the program or project you have selected, how it fits into your future plans, and what you hope to achieve. (Use separate sheet to answer.)
2. **REFERENCES:** Please forward two letters of recommendation from people in your field of interest. One letter should be from a professor or someone who can comment on your interest, achievement, personal qualities, and eligibility for the summer program you have selected.

Please mail application, essay and reference letters in one envelope to

GCA Awards for Summer Environmental Studies
c/o Doug Caum, Conservation Crews
The Student Conservation Association (SCA)
P.O. Box 550
Charlestown, NH 03604-0550

Note: *Materials will not be accepted by e-mail or fax. Do not alter or retype the application. Do not send any additional materials that are not required.*

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