



# North Carolina Association of Floodplain Managers

## 2024 NCAFPM Berry Williams Scholarship

### Introduction/Description

The North Carolina Association of Floodplain Managers (NCAFPM) is pleased to announce its academic scholarship program for 2024. NCAFPM is a non-profit organization established in 1989 consisting of engineers, planners, geographers, land surveyors, zoning officials, emergency management coordinators, community officials, and private sector individuals. NCAFPM is dedicated to promoting public awareness of proper floodplain management, promoting professional development, enhancing information exchange, education and outreach, improving floodplain mapping, and reviewing and commenting on pertinent legislation such as the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The scholarship is named in honor of Berry Williams for his years of service as the State of North Carolina NFIP coordinator and assisting with the establishment and growth of NCAFPM.

Two scholarships will be awarded to the most deserving applicants based on the materials submitted with the application package. This is a one-time award for the selected applicants. Interested college students should review the eligibility requirements and submittals requested below.

### Scholarship Type/Amount

- One-time awards of **one \$2,500 scholarship** and **one \$1,500 scholarship**.

### Eligibility

- Minimum of GPA 3.0 on 4.0 scale
- Be a **current full-time undergraduate student** in a two- or four-year degree program at a college or university within the State of North Carolina, and within a program related to the disciplines of **floodplain management** (water resources, engineering, planning and zoning, resiliency, coastal management, environmental sciences, hazard mitigation, emergency management, geography/GIS, surveying, etc.)

### Additional Information

- Strongly encourage application submissions by students enrolled at Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) or Minority Serving Institutions (MSIs) with a baccalaureate degree program.

- Strongly encourage application submissions by students enrolled at a technical community college with an associate degree program.

## Submittal Requirements

While filling out the application package, please complete ALL sections that are included in the scoring:

- *Education and Certificates* (include official copy of college transcript) – scoring weight 20%
- *Career Goals* – 500-word essay (see application form for more details) – scoring weight 25%
- *Activities and Interests* – scoring weight 15%
- *Awards and Honors* – scoring weight 15%
- *Reference Letter* – scoring weight 25%

## Application Process and Deadline

- Submit all application materials electronically to the email address [ncafpmscholarships@ncafpm.org](mailto:ncafpmscholarships@ncafpm.org).
- Include the following in the subject line of the email with the scholarship application to assist NCAFPM with managing the submittals: “*Your Name – Application*”
- All application documents must be submitted and received electronically by **February 15, 2024**.

If you have any questions on the application process, please contact:

North Carolina Association of Floodplain Managers  
Attn: Daniel Tomczak, CFM  
[daniel.tomczak@jacobs.com](mailto:daniel.tomczak@jacobs.com)

## Review Process and Selection

The application materials will be reviewed and recipients selected by a committee consisting of NCAFPM board members. The scholarships awards will be announced in Spring 2024.

## Award Process/Dispersal

The awarded scholarships will be dispersed as a one-time payment to the recipients.



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## 2024 NCAFPM Berry Williams Scholarship Application

### Applicant Information

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First M.I.*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Address Apartment/Unit #*

\_\_\_\_\_ *City State ZIP Code*

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Are you attending a NC college or university? YES NO

Transcript provided? YES NO

### Education and Certificates (Attach additional pages if needed)

College: \_\_\_\_\_ :

From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduated? \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Curriculum: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

College: \_\_\_\_\_ :

From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduated? \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Curriculum: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

## Career Goals

In the space below, write a 500-word essay that describes 1) how floodplain management is important to you, and 2) your education plans/goals for a career related to floodplain management. Use another page if needed.

## Activities and Interests

List any volunteer activities within your community or at school, extracurricular activities, hobbies, and other outside interests. (For example: Maths club at School, Meals on Wheels, Habitat for Humanity etc)

## Awards and Honors

List any academic or special honors, awards, or scholarships received in or outside of school. (For example; Dean's list at college, Recognition in High School etc.)

## Military Service

Branch: \_\_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_

Rank at Discharge: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Discharge: \_\_\_\_\_

If other than honorable, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Disclaimer and Signature

*I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_