

**Plan of Governance
Appendix L**

Policy on Selection of Students for Endowed Scholarships

Approved October 14, 2020

This policy covers the selection of students receiving any Endowed Scholarships in the Department of Environmental Science and Technology. Through the generosity of individuals, a number of named, endowed scholarships are available in ENST.

Students who wish to be considered for an Endowed Scholarship must first meet the minimum criteria: 1. ENST must be the primary undergraduate or graduate major; 2. they must be a currently enrolled student in good standing; and, 3. they must have at least one year left on their degree program. Specific criteria may be designated for each scholarship and will be listed within this appendix below. Each applicant must write a one page letter of application, identifying which scholarship they are applying for, how they meet the criteria, and how the scholarship will advance their education.

The Endowed Scholarship Review Committee, comprised of 4 members appointed by the Chair representing all 4 specializations within ENST, shall be the selection committee. They will meet during the spring semester, and select all scholarships awardees prior to May 1st each year. If the committee finds that no applicants that year have met all criteria stipulated for a specific scholarship for that year, but, in the eyes of the committee, a worthy student exists in the overall pool of applicants, the Chair may waive these criteria for that year only. All Endowed Scholarships will be presented at the annual spring ENST awards ceremony and funding will be available for use in fall semester.

Specific guidance for the committee to consider for specific scholarships:

Edward R. Landa and Judith A. Johnson Endowed Opportunity Scholarship: Must have been an ENST student for one year, junior or senior status, member of the University of Maryland Chapter of MANNRS (Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Related Sciences), and active in Department, College, or University organizations.

Approved by a unanimous vote of faculty in attendance at an ENST faculty meeting held on October 14, 2020.