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Policy:	AR-6.8 Stephen K. Hall Water Law and Policy Scholarship	Latest Revision:	9/19/2025

AR-6.8 Stephen K. Hall Water Law and Policy Scholarship

6.8.1 Description

The Stephen K. Hall Water Law and Policy Scholarship was created in 2007 to honor former Association Executive Director Steve Hall upon his retirement. The \$10,000 scholarship is presented annually to a qualified graduate student majoring in law, policy or public administration with a focus or concentration in California water resources.

6.8.2 Criteria

- Applicants must be attending an accredited, public, or private U.S. college at the start of the academic year;
- Applicants must be pursuing a graduate degree (Master's, PhD, or Law School) in water law and policy or public administration with a demonstrated concentration in the field of water resources;
- Applicants must commit to full-time enrollment (8 semester units or 10 2/3 quarter units) for the entire academic year;
- Applicants must submit two current letters of recommendation (but no more than three), with at least one of the letters originating from a college professor or employer; and
- Applicants must submit official transcripts for each college they have attended. Sealed transcripts are not required but printed class schedules will not be accepted.

6.8.2.1 Criteria for Scholarship Award Selection:

- Scholastic achievement;
- Demonstrated motivation to the vocation of water resources-related management;
- The quality of the student's essay; and
- Commitment to full-time enrollment for the entire academic year.

6.8.3 Selection/Presentation

Scholarship Subcommittee members review eligible entries and rank them prior to the Spring Conference and Exhibition, where they meet to decide on the recipient. The recipient is notified, featured in *ACWA News*, and invited to attend an ACWA conference where they will be recognized as

the scholarship recipient. This scholarship is supported Association funds and individual donations and proceeds from the Steve Hall Golf Tournament.

References:

Current Board Policy A.3.

See Administrative Procedure: *To be determined*

Revision History:

Revision Date	Description of Changes	Requested By
9/25/2015	Initial Release	ACWA Staff and Governance Workgroup
2/2/2018	Revised Policy 6.7.1 to increase the amount for the Stephen K. Hall Water Law and Policy Scholarship from \$7,000 to \$10,000.	Communications Committee; Board Action
9/24/2021	Policy AR-6.7 renumbered to Policy AR-6.8 as a result of the addition of a new policy, Policy AR-6.7 Innovation Award.	ACWA Staff and Communications Committee
9/19/2025	Revised Policy AR-6.8 as part of Strategy 4, Key Performance Indicator KPI-33 evaluation.	Board Action