

Student Incentive Program

2020 WEAO Technical Symposium and OPCEA Exhibition

April 26-28, 2020

Sheraton Toronto Centre Hotel

The program is open to full-time post-secondary students in Ontario. Successful applicants will be selected based on their ability to meet the requirements as laid out in this document, the availability of funding, and at the discretion of the WEAO Young Professionals Steering Committee and Board of Directors.

The goals of this program are to provide WEF/WEAO Student Members, who are first time conference attendees, with a reduced financial burden and to promote continued and enhanced engagement within the WEAO community.

Requirements:

- Current WEF/WEAO Student Membership. Click [here](#) to join or renew through Water Environment Federation (WEF)
- Have not previously attended the WEAO conference, and
- Register for and commit to attend the 2020 WEAO conference (within three weeks of acceptance)

Applications are accepted between **January 30th and March 15th** to yp@weaocommittee.org. They will be considered on a “first come, first served” basis, so early submission is encouraged.

Applications will be reviewed and selected by the Young Professionals Committee Chair, Past-Chair and Vice-Chair with support from WEAO staff to verify membership and conference registration.

In the event that a successful applicant is unable to provide proof of conference registration within three weeks following notification, WEAO reserves the right to provide the opportunity to an alternate applicant.

Opportunities to enhance the WEAO Conference experience, amplify the value of networking, and engage with the WEAO Community:

- Attend the Mentorship Hour on Sunday, April 26th, to network with peers, Young Professional (YP) members and supportive Senior Professional (SP) members of WEAO;
- Meet with a member of the Young Professionals Committee at the Sunday Icebreaker reception to identify key networking opportunities and events for students and young professionals, facilitate introductions to other industry professionals, and have one-on-one time to answer any questions about the conference;
- Gain insight into the industry by attending the technical sessions and the OPCEA Exhibition.
- Participate in the creation and submission of an article to WEAO’s trade magazine, INFLUENTS, describing the program experience; and
- Receive a “Student Incentive Program” conference badge ribbon to facilitate networking discussion.

Participants will receive a \$50 gift card to offset the student registration fee at the 2020 WEAO Technical Symposium and OPCEA Exhibition. Travel, accommodation and other arrangements required to attend are to be at the applicant’s own expense.

Questions? Contact the Young Professionals committee at yp@weaocommittee.org