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Soil and Water Conservation Society: Ontario Chapter  
C/o 266 Alexander Buildings  
School and Environmental Sciences  
University of Guelph  
Guelph, Ontario  
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ARTHUR D. LATORNELL AWARD OF MERIT 2011  
Student Application

The Soil and Water Conservation Society, Ontario Chapter, was created in 1951 to give a focus to our member's interests in conservation issues within Ontario. Our mission is to foster the science and art of soil, water and related natural resources to achieve sustainability by promoting and practicing an ethic which recognizes the interdependence, people, and the environment.

Each year, the Ontario Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society (SWCS) presents a student with the A.D. Latornell Award of Merit. The Arthur D. Latornell Award of Merit Program celebrates Mr. Latornell's commitment and service to our Society. Art was involved in virtually every aspect of resources conservation during his lifetime and was a role model for many beginning a career in conservation. He was President of the SWCS in 1978 and filled many Ontario Chapter Executive positions.

Winners of this Award receive:

- A full year membership to SWCS,
- A cash award of \$600, and
- Sponsorship of up to \$200.00 to attend one day at the A.D. Latornell Conservation Symposium ([www.latornell.ca](http://www.latornell.ca)), Ontario's premier environmental conference, and the Banquet at which the Award is presented. The A. D. Latornell Conservation Symposium is a three day event held annually in November.

Those applying in the student category must meet the following criteria:

- Enrolled in a recognized Ontario College or University;
- Possess a high degree of interest and ability in the area of soils and water management;
- Hold Canadian citizenship or be recognized as a Permanent Resident; and
- Have maintained good academic standing.

**To apply for this Award four materials are required for submission:**

- An application form,
- Relevant Transcript(s), and
- Two brief (250 word, half – page) compositions

Background information on the Soil and Water Conservation Society can be found at [www.swcs.org](http://www.swcs.org). Questions pertaining to this award can be directed to the Awards Chairperson. Contact information follows below.

**Section A: Personal Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth (m/d/y): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Daytime): \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (Evening): \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Permanent): \_\_\_\_\_

Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident (*Please check*):                      Yes              No

**Section B: Education History**

Are you currently attending College/University? (*Please check*):              Yes              No

Please indicate which College/University you are attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate program: \_\_\_\_\_

What is the Length of this Program: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate year of study:      1<sup>st</sup> year      2<sup>nd</sup> year      3<sup>rd</sup> year      4<sup>th</sup> year

**Please include a certified copy of your current transcript(s) with this application. Transcript(s) should outline your academic standing, as well as those courses completed to date or currently underway.**

**Please outline briefly (max: 250 words, half-page) how the Educational Program in which you are registered relates to your interest or career goals in soil and water conservation.**

Has this brief essay been included with this application?                      Yes              No

Please list and describe any extra-curricular activities you have been involved in:

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### **Section C: Work Experience**

Please outline employment experience related to your career objectives from the most recent position held.

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Length of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief description of your duties: \_\_\_\_\_

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Length of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief description of your duties: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Section D: References**

Please list the names of 2 knowledgeable observers who could be contacted.

#### **Reference #1:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

How does this person know you: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Daytime): \_\_\_\_\_

**Reference #2:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

How does this person know you: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Daytime): \_\_\_\_\_

**Section E: Supplementary Information**

Are you presently a member of the Ontario Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society or a Student Chapter of the Society?      Yes      No

**Please share your perspective(s) on relevant soil and water conservation issues in the Province of Ontario (max: 250 words, half-page).**

Has this brief essay been included with this application?      Yes      No

**Section F: Certification by Applicant**

I hereby certify that the enclosed information is accurate.

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

**Section G: Certification by Professor**

I am familiar with the applicant’s work, have reviewed this application and the enclosed material and hereby recommend this applicant for the Ontario Chapter Scholarship.

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

Forward Completed Forms by **September 29th , 2011** to:

R. John Lackey, P. Eng., President, Ontario Chapter SWCS  
A.D. Latornell Award of Merit Committee  
Ontario Chapter Soil and Water Conservation Society  
C/o 833182 Fourth Line, R. R. No. 5,  
Orangeville, Ontario L9W 2Z2  
Tel: 519.941.2181 or 705.734.2538, Ext. 240  
Fax: 705.734.1056 (E-mail Applications also accepted)

[jlackey@jonesconsulting.com](mailto:jlackey@jonesconsulting.com) with “Arthur D. Latornell Professional Award” in the subject

**OR**

Michelle German, Administrative Assistant, Ontario Chapter SWCS  
[swcs.info@gmail.com](mailto:swcs.info@gmail.com) with “Arthur D. Latornell Professional Award” in the subject

**Checklist:**

- Completed Application Form**
- Relevant Transcripts**
- Brief essay/opinion #1**
- Brief essay/opinion # 2**

**PLEASE NOTE:**

Personal information contained on this form is collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, and will be used solely for the purpose of awarding the A. D. Latornell Award of Merit.