

David E. Johnson Memorial Scholarship In Geography



Born in Los Angeles, California, on August 12, 1960, David E. Johnson was the fourth of seven siblings. He attended Manual Arts High School in L.A. and graduated with a B.A. in Geography from San Francisco State University in May, 1986.

Even as a young man, David was fascinated by transportation and movement systems. He developed a love for cartography, studying and collecting maps, and jokingly referred to himself as “Map Man.” In his professional life, David was an environmental and transportation planner with over 20 years of experience working on highway, rail and bridge projects in the San Francisco Bay Area. He was always concerned about environmental impact and environmental justice.

David’s family has established the David E. Johnson Memorial Scholarship to help support a baccalaureate or graduate student in Geography at SFSU. Recipients will be chosen annually by Geography Department faculty members in accordance with the criteria and procedures listed below.

Criteria & Eligibility:

- Declared undergraduate major or classified graduate standing in Geography.
- SF State GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Enrolled in at least 6 units of Geography coursework (or with an approved Proposal for Culminating Experience on file with the Graduate Division.)
- Students active in the African-American community are encouraged to apply.

How to Apply:

- Submit a statement of approximately 500 words discussing your interest in environmental justice/urban environmental planning.
- Add a one or two paragraph statement of financial need.
- Attach a current SFSU transcript.
- Your cover letter should include your full name, SFSU ID number, address, phone and email address.
- **AY 2017-2018 applications are due in the Geography & Environment Department Office no later than noon on Monday, October 23 (in person or via email).**