



Indiana Society of Professional Land Surveyors, Inc.

Northwest Chapter



2026 Ordell L. Gertsmeier Grant Award

ATTENTION STUDENTS: NEED TUITION MONEY?

The Northwest Chapter of the Indiana Society of Professional Land Surveyors is accepting applications for their annual Ordell L. Gertsmeier Grant Award. Up to \$5,000 in grant monies are currently available to be awarded to one or more qualified candidates.

Who is eligible? Any student that resides in either: Lake, Porter, LaPorte, Newton, Jasper, Pulaski, or Starke County, Indiana, and is currently enrolled (or planning to enroll) in undergraduate surveying related college level courses is eligible. Grant monies will be awarded preferentially to those students who are pursuing a college education as a means to advance their career in the field of land surveying.

How to apply: Complete an application form, together with a short letter of introduction and intent, and submit by the deadline. An application with requested information is attached to this flier or may also be obtained from the I.S.P.L.S. web site at www.ispls.org under the "Resources for Prospective Surveyors" tab, then "Scholarships" tab or use the QR code above.

Where to apply: Send completed application and letter by mail or e-mail to:

Northwest Chapter of I.S.P.L.S. Scholarship Committee
c/o Frank Walsko, PS, Chair
1538 Fred Street
Whiting, IN 46394

OR

E-mail: traverselandsurveying@hotmail.com

When: Application & letter **must be received no later than: Friday June 5, 2026.**

A brief interview will be scheduled on **Saturday June 27, 2026** for qualified candidates. The winning candidate(s) will receive half of their respective award(s) by deposit into their student account prior to the start of the fall 2026 semester. Upon successful completion; with a grade of C or better, of the course(s) for which the grant was awarded, the winning candidate(s) will receive the remaining half of their award(s).

Minimum Standards: Incomplete or late applications will not be considered. If in the considered judgment of the Northwest Chapter of I.S.P.L.S. Scholarship Committee, no applicant is worthy of the award, no award will be made.



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Application Form



Purpose: The purpose of this award is promote education to further strengthen the Land Surveying Profession and its future by providing financial assistance to qualified students enrolled in undergraduate classes who are pursuing a college education as a means to advance their career in the field of land surveying.

1. Name in full: _____
(first) (middle) (last)

2. Present address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

3. Home address: (if different than Present address) _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

4. Telephone Number: _____ Cell Phone: _____

5. E-mail: _____

6. Name of the college, which you are, or will be, attending:

7. School of enrollment: _____ Semester Status: _____ Current G.P.A. _____

9. Course names and numbers for which grant monies are requested:

10. Prepare and attach a brief letter describing any extenuating circumstances such as unusual financial need, scholastic honors, or career objectives that may influence the committee in awarding a grant.

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