Lloyd and Marilyn Schmaltz Undergraduate Scholarship in Geology for Michigan Geological Repository for Research and Education (MGRRE)

Amount: $500 – Awarded in the Senior year to an eligible applicant

Selection Committee:

There are to be three persons on the Selection Committee. Two should be faculty members in the Department of Geosciences and the third should be a faculty, research associate or staff member at the MGRRE facility.

Application Timeframe and Requirements:

A Geosciences Department announcement will be posted and circulated during the latter part of Spring Semester soliciting applicants for this scholarship. Applicants must provide a copy of their current academic transcript, including grade point average and a brief summary of their academic and professional goals. Applications should include information on extracurricular Geoscience activities or professional experience in Geosciences.

Eligibility and Selection Criteria:

1. Students must be completing their Junior year as a Geology Major in the Department of Geosciences at WMU.

2. Applicants are generally expected to have an overall grade point average of 3.0 or better. The selection committee is allowed some discretion on the minimum value of the GPA.

3. Applicants should demonstrate a professional level of interest in geology through activities beyond classroom and academic requirements. An interest in Michigan geology is an additional important consideration.

4. This Scholarship is considered to be a “stand-alone” award and should not be combined with other similar type awards in the Geosciences Department. Funding for research projects, travel to professional meetings or field activities should not be viewed as conflicting with the “stand-alone” intent of this award.

5. The recipient of the award will provide a letter of acceptance and appreciation to the committee and addressed to Dr. and Mrs. Schmaltz outlining the awardee’s scientific interests and academic and professional goals.

6. The recipient is expected to become engaged with faculty and/or researchers at the MGRRE facility during the student’s Senior year.

7. The award should be presented at the Geoscience Department Annual Award Ceremony on April 21 by a representative of MGRRE.

8. Application deadline is March 24.