



Student Information

The Technical and Research Committee on Reclamation (TRCR) supports BC post-secondary student participation at the annual Mine Reclamation Symposium through scholarship opportunities, and volunteer positions. Students can apply to be volunteers to assist at the Symposium, co-chair a session or submit a research paper/poster, and/or apply for the Jake McDonald Memorial Scholarship. Each year there is also a reduced rate available for students; generally available to the first ten students who register.

The Jake McDonald Scholarship for Mine Reclamation

In honour of Jake McDonald, former Senior Reclamation Inspector in the then, British Columbia Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, the TRCR offers a total of \$2,000 in scholarships to students registered at a university (undergraduate or graduate) or college in the province of British Columbia. Jake McDonald was largely responsible for the formation of the Technical and Research Committee on Reclamation. This committee significantly improved government - industry - academic communications in the areas of environmental protection and reclamation in mining, as well as recently through the work of various provincial and national mining, aggregate and mineral exploration Associations.

To apply for the Jake McDonald Scholarship the student must be involved in mine reclamation, pollution prevention, environmentally sound mine planning, or any aspect of mine land rehabilitation. The student must have a high academic standing and a genuine interest in the mining industry in the province and in maintenance of the environment of British Columbia. The student must be enrolled in a post-secondary institute in British Columbia. Students may be nominated by individuals, or candidates may apply directly.

In the scholarship application, students must include a one-two page letter to the scholarship committee outlining their interest in reclamation, past experience in this field (classes, work experience, projects) and career goals, and a copy of a recent transcript. Applications for the scholarship must be received by August 2, 2022 and should be sent to Wendy Gardner, Chair of the Scholarship Sub-Committee by email to wgardner@tru.ca.

Student Volunteer Opportunities at the BC Mine Reclamation Symposium

Students volunteering to help at the Symposium will have their registration and tour fees covered, rooms supplied (based on shared accommodation), and attendance at the awards banquet. In return, students will help during the Symposium dates, during pre-selected sessions. Student volunteers must be enrolled in a post-secondary institute in British Columbia or if attending a post-secondary institute outside of British Columbia, their research must be focused in British Columbia.

To apply to be a student volunteer, students will need to submit a letter outlining their current program of study, their interest in reclamation, and how attending the Symposium will benefit them. Applications must be received by August 2, 2022 and should be sent to Wendy Gardner, Chair of the Scholarship Sub-Committee at wgardner@tru.ca.