**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

 **ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND POLICY GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION**

**Please read. By signing this form you agree to comply with the following**:

1. I understand that to be eligible for the ESP-GSA Professional Membership Award, I must have paid my membership dues, and be in good standing with the organization.
2. I understand that preference for funding will be given to students who are active in the GSA (e.g. have attended one or more GSA events in the past year).
3. I understand that preference for funding will also be given to students who are applying to a grant with the membership organization in the current year, and who are using their own money to register for more than one year of membership with the organization.
4. I understand that if I am awarded funding, the award will not exceed the total cost of one year of membership or a maximum of $40. If I am registering for only one year of membership, the award amount will not exceed the cost of one year of membership.
5. I understand that I cannot apply for a Professional Membership Award if I am a current member of the membership organization. However, if your membership is expiring in the current year, you may apply for a Professional Membership Award to renew your membership.
6. I understand that I am NOT guaranteed funds, as funds are extremely limited. My application will be reviewed by an impartial panel consisting of: GSA board members, and the GSA faculty advisor. I understand that any funding awarded may range from the full amount possible to partial funding depending on the cost of one year of membership.
7. I understand that if my application is funded by ESP-GSA, I will manage the reimbursement process (submitting receipts, paperwork, etc.) in a timely manner or else funding will not be provided.
8. I understand that I am only eligible for ONE Professional Membership Award per year and that there is preference for new applicants.
9. I certify that the information provided is accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that I have attached all the required documentation. I understand that failing to provide the required documentation will render my application void.

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Signature of Applicant Date

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Signature of Advisor Date

I. **Applicant Information**:

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Phone:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_@gmu.edu

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

Dept.: □ ESP □ MMB □ Other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Degree sought: □ M.S. □ Ph.D. □ Non-degree seeking

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Are you a current GMU student? YES NO

Have you already paid ESP-GSA dues this semester? YES NO

Are you currently not a member of the membership organization or is your membership expiring in the current year? YES NO

**\*\*If you do not meet the above 3 requirements, please consider re-applying in a future semester after having met the requirements\*\***

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Please list recent ESP-GSA events you have attended (in the past year): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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II. **Membership Information:**

Name of Organization:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Membership Level: □ International □ National □ State/Local

Will you be applying these funds to register for a membership for multiple years? \_\_\_\_\_

Is it required by the organization to become a member to apply to grants? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Will you be applying for a grant from the membership organization this year? \_\_\_\_

Are you a member of any other professional organizations? If yes, which ones? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_III. **Membership Cost:**

1. Cost of a student membership for one year: $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. Reduced total cost for registering for more than one year (if applicable\*):

Years: □ Two □ Three □ Four □ Other: \_\_\_\_\_ $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\*If you are not planning on registering for more than one year, which organizations often offer at a reduced cost than registering for only one year at a time, do not fill out line 2. If you are planning on registering for more than one year, please note that ESP-GSA will only cover a maximum of $40 and you are responsible for covering the difference between $40 and the registration price for multiple years.

IV. **Statement of Purpose: 200 word statement about why membership to this organization is important to the student’s academic progress.**

**V. Supporting documentation. The following must be submitted along with the application:**

1. Screenshot of membership pricing that matches what is stated in Section III.
2. If you are renewing an expiring membership, please submit a screenshot that indicates that your membership is expiring and needs to be renewed (i.e. email, membership portal).