

# Simpson Strong-Tie® Structural Engineering & Construction Scholarship Rules

The Simpson Strong-Tie® Structural Engineering & Construction Scholarship is available to master and doctorate degree students performing research on resilient construction materials or techniques, subject to the requirements listed below. Award of the scholarship is at the sole discretion of the StormStruck® Scholarship Committee and their decision is final.

## **REQUIREMENTS**

1. Before the start of the proposed period of study (but not necessarily at the time of application), the applicant must possess a bachelor's degree from a higher education institution which is accredited by the responsible regional or national agency.
2. At the time of acceptance of the scholarship (but not necessarily at the time of application), the applicant must be accepted for graduate study at a college or university in an engineering, construction, architecture, or materials science program in the area of resilient construction materials or techniques.
3. The proposed faculty member who will direct the applicant's graduate study during the year in which the scholarship is applied for and awarded must complete and return an appraisal of the student's capabilities as part of the application process. This faculty advisor must take responsibility for guiding the student's research program and must ensure the student meets the requirements of the scholarship by preparing and presenting a poster at the Federal Alliance for Safe Homes Annual Meeting during the year the scholarship is awarded.
4. The applicant is responsible for ensuring that the entire application package has been received by FLASH prior to the application deadline. The application package must include:
  - a. A fully-completed application form. The applicant must respond to all questions on the application form. Do not attach additional sheets. Responses must be typewritten.
  - b. Unofficial transcripts of undergraduate and graduate records.
  - c. A statement of appraisal and agreement to direct the applicant's graduate research program from the proposed faculty advisor.

These items shall constitute the "application package." The application package shall be transmitted to Tim Smail ([tim@flash.org](mailto:tim@flash.org)) at FLASH in an electronic zipped folder titled as follows by the end of the business day on **February 15, 2013**:

- *lastname\_scholarshipname\_2013* (i.e. *smail\_flash\_2013*)

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

### **Announcement**

The official announcement of the award will be made during March. The awardee, however, will be notified as soon as possible after selection.

### **Payments**

The \$1,500 award will be presented to the scholarship recipient after the official announcement. The scholarship recipient may use the scholarship award only for project-related expenditures that include tuition, room and board, research expenses and/or reasonable travel expenses associated with presentation of research at the FLASH Annual Meeting.

Attendance at the Federal Alliance for Safe Homes Annual Meeting for in-person presentation of the research in poster or presentation format is required as part of the scholarship award criteria.

### **Reports**

The student, with the assistance of the faculty advisor must prepare a poster for the Federal Alliance for Safe Homes Annual Meeting during the year which the scholarship was awarded, attend the meeting and present their research during the specified session.

All required information and questions should be directed towards:

**Tim Smail**

**[tim@flash.org](mailto:tim@flash.org)**

**850-728-0348**