

2016 SME Young Leaders Committee

The SME Young Leaders Committee is looking for applicants to join the 2016 Committee. The objective of the Young Leaders Committee is twofold: first, target and recognize the young leaders of SME and increase their involvement within the Society; second, use the Committee as a tool to add value to SME by initiating and fostering professional development programs and services for the Society as a whole. Those participating in this program will have an exciting and rewarding opportunity to network with key players in the industry, gather technical information important to their professional growth, and contribute to the success of both SME and minerals professions.

Eligibility

To be considered for the 2016 SME Young Leaders Committee the following criteria must be met:

1. A candidate must be 37 years old or younger
2. A candidate must be a current member of SME (either Associate or Full Member).
3. A candidate must submit a completed application, which should contain five examples of their demonstrated leadership abilities. These examples may include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - a. Held a position as a SME Section Officer.
 - b. Held a position as a SME Local Section Committee Chair.
 - c. Served on a SME National Committee.
 - d. Received recognition or award(s) from Divisions or Local Sections within SME, or other professional societies or organizations.
 - e. Held a position as a SME Student Chapter Officer
 - f. Held a position as a SME Student Chapter Committee Chair.
 - g. Served on a Student Chapter Committee (e.g., GEM Committee, Field Trip Committee, Fundraising Committee, Student Chapter Annual Report Committee, etc.).
 - h. Held a management position in the minerals industry, managing five or more people.
 - i. Managed a specific project or team.
 - j. Participated in a corporate leadership program (e.g., management training, special project team, program development team, etc.).
 - k. Gave an oral presentation at a recognized minerals meeting.
 - l. Published a technical article in a leading minerals publication.
 - m. Held a leadership role for a campus activity.
 - n. Held a leadership role for a community activity.
 - o. Other activities demonstrating leadership ability not specified above.

Membership Process

Individuals will be selected to participate on the Young Leaders Committee based on their demonstrated leadership abilities and merit. Applicants are encouraged to list as many leadership credentials as possible, as additional qualifications will distinguish the candidate. To apply for the Committee, please complete the attached application and return it to SME by October 1st. Candidates will be notified of acceptance by November 13, 2015.

Responsibilities of a Young Leader

Those selected to join the Committee will be expected to serve four consecutive years on the Young Leaders Committee. During their first year of membership, participants are expected to attend the Young Leaders Committee meeting held at the SME Annual Meeting*, and are highly encouraged to attend in subsequent years. Young Leaders are expected to participate in monthly teleconference calls, contribute to the goals and agenda of the Young Leaders Committee, serve on one or more Young Leaders Subcommittee (chosen at the annual meeting), and act as a mentor and point of contact to at least one mining university Student Chapter for the duration of their term.

**Selected participants will be expected to cover their expenses to the annual meeting*

2016 SME Young Leaders Committee Application **Eligibility**

I. General Information

Name _____ Age _____ SME Member # _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State/Province _____ Country _____ ZIP/PC _____
 Email _____ Phone _____ Fax _____
 Company _____ Title _____

II. Leadership Qualification

To be considered for the SME Young Leaders Committee an applicant must have demonstrated leadership qualities. Five of the following must apply to your personal experience to qualify for the committee.

- A. Held a position as a SME Section Officer.
 Section _____ Office and Term _____
- B. Held a position as a SME Local Section Committee Chair.
 Section _____ Committee and Term _____
- C. Served on a SME National Committee.
 Committee _____
 Position Held (if applicable) _____ Term _____
- D. Received recognition or award(s) from Divisions or Local Sections within SME, or other professional societies or organizations.
 Awards _____
- E. Held a position as a SME Student Chapter Officer.
 School/Chapter _____ Office and Term _____
- F. Held a position as a SME Student Chapter Committee Chair.
 School/Chapter _____
 List Committee and Term _____
- G. Served on a SME Student Chapter Committee.
 School/Chapter _____
 List Committee and Term _____
- H. Held a management position in the minerals industry, managing five or more people.
 Company _____
 Position _____ Number of Personnel Managed _____
- I. Managed a specific project or team.
 Describe _____
- J. Participated in a corporate leadership program.
 Company _____
 Type of Program _____ Role _____
- K. Gave an oral presentation at a recognized minerals meeting. Include a copy of your presentation (handouts, abstract, paper, etc...)
 Presentation Title _____
 Meeting Location _____ Date of Presentation _____

L. Published a technical article in a leading minerals publication. Include a copy of the article

Article Title _____
Name of Publication _____ Date of Publication _____

M. Held a leadership role for a campus activity

School and Activity _____
Term _____ Results _____

N. Held a leadership role for a community activity

Activity _____ Dates of Involvement _____
Responsibilities _____

O. Other activities demonstrating leadership ability not specified above.

III. Two Letters of Endorsement

Letters of endorsement must be received before application will be extended to the selection committee.

1. From your immediate supervisor at your place of employment.

Endorser's Name _____ Job Title _____
Phone _____ Email _____

2. From a SME Member.

Endorser's Name _____ Job Title _____
Phone _____ Email _____

IV. Essays

1. In 300 words or less, tell the Young Leaders Committee what you will contribute to the organization through your participation in the Committee.
2. In 300 words or less, describe a situation where you have demonstrated a leadership role. What was the outcome and what did you learn from that experience.
3. In 300 words or less, describe how you believe your involvement with the Young Leaders Committee will contribute to your professional ambition and the overall success of the Committee.

V. Bio and Picture

Applicants should include a 100-150 word biography and a picture with their application package.

Please submit the completed application, endorsements, biography, and picture
by October 1, 2015 to:

Attn: Mona Vandervoort
SME/Young Leaders Committee
12999 E. Adam Aircraft Circle
Englewood, CO 80112
or fax: 303-948-4265