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scholarships for Vermonters

VSAC



for the academic year 2009–2010

postmark deadline for all VSAC-assisted scholarships:
March 1, 2009

Vermont residency required, unless otherwise specified

The Vermont Student Assistance Corporation (VSAC) publishes this booklet to provide you with information about specific scholarships available to Vermont residents. Most of the scholarships listed are sponsored by private groups, including Vermont businesses, charitable or service organizations, veterans groups, and others.

The majority of financial aid available to Vermont students is provided by your postsecondary school, the federal government, and VSAC. Scholarships are considered supplements to other aid, such as grants and loans.

Scholarships, like grants, are forms of “gift aid,” meaning there is no obligation (under most circumstances) to repay the funds. While grants are generally awarded according to financial need, scholarships are typically based on factors unique to each scholarship. These may include residency, degree program or major, academic achievement, extracurricular activities, and — in some cases — financial need.

Remember that when you apply for scholarships, you will be competing against other students who apply. Keep in mind, though, that if a scholarship is based on academic achievement, you may not have to be the best student in your class; you simply need to be the best student applying for that scholarship. Similarly, if a scholarship is based on financial need, your need will be compared only to the need of other applicants within that scholarship pool.

Scholarships for Vermonters: for the academic year 2009–2010

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What to watch out for when searching for scholarships

How will scholarships affect other aid?

Before applying for scholarships, check with your college or postsecondary school to see how receiving a scholarship may affect your overall financial aid. Carefully consider whether or not a scholarship will:

- reduce loans
- reduce work-study
- reduce grants
- reduce other scholarships

Beware of scams

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) warns students to be careful in using scholarship search companies. While some firms are legitimate, others aren't. A tip-off could be if the firm "guarantees" or "promises" scholarships or grants. No reputable firm can legitimately make such a claim. Beware of these telltale statements:

"This scholarship is guaranteed or your money back."

"You can't get this information anywhere else."

"We'll need your credit card or bank account number to hold this scholarship."

"We'll do all the work for you!"

"There's a fee to apply for this scholarship."

"You've been selected by a national foundation to receive a scholarship."

"You're a finalist ..." (in a contest you never entered)

General information about scholarships

The scholarships listed in this booklet are divided into two categories:

VSAC-assisted scholarships — administered in part or in full by VSAC. These scholarships, which use VSAC's Unified Scholarship Application process, are listed on pages 6–26 in alphabetical order by their VSAC ID. To apply for these scholarships, use the instructions on pages 2–3, and the forms and attachments on pages 35–42.

other scholarships — administered by agencies or organizations other than VSAC. Each of these scholarships, which are listed on pages 44–56 in alphabetical order by name, has its own application process; VSAC forms cannot be used to apply. Refer to the toolbar codes on page 43 and follow instructions under the “Application” section of each scholarship listing.

We note the average number of applicants and awards in order to indicate the level of competition for each scholarship. If you have questions about a particular scholarship, contact VSAC's Scholarships Program.

VSAC-assisted scholarships timeline

After October 20, 2008

- Request a current copy of the VSAC scholarships booklet. The information changes each year.
- Review scholarships and identify those for which you meet all eligibility requirements.

After December 1, 2008

- Complete and submit the Unified Scholarship Application (USA).
- Begin submitting all additional required documents for the scholarships for which you are applying.

After January 1, 2009

- Apply to VSAC for a Vermont grant and file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon after January 1 as possible. (Scholarships that consider financial need often require that you file these applications.)

Before March 1, 2009

- Make certain that all required documents for all scholarships to which you are applying have been postmarked no later than March 1.

Remember that scholarships awarded in 2009 are applied toward education expenses in the 2009–2010 academic year.

When & where to look for scholarships

Begin your search for scholarships 9 to 12 months before the start of the academic year for which you need funds. Start close to home and branch out (local, regional, statewide, and then national) as time allows. Here are some additional sources of scholarship information:

VSAC Resource Center — located in the VSAC building in downtown Winooski. The center offers:

- computers with software and Web access to search national scholarship databases
- a library of more than 7,600 books, periodicals, and DVDs with detailed information about the financial aid process, college planning, and career exploration
- advisors to answer your questions and provide information

Appointments aren't necessary, and services are free.

local high school, businesses, clubs, or town officials

— information on scholarships restricted to your local school, town, or region

your college or university — information on scholarships restricted to the college or postsecondary school you attend

on the Web — visit www.vvac.org to learn about Vermont-specific scholarships or to use our online library catalog to borrow materials from the VSAC Resource Center through your school or local library; visit the following sites for information about national scholarships:

www.collegeboard.com — Choose “For Students” or “For Parents” from the College Board's home page, and then “Scholarship Search” under the “Pay for College” section.

www.finaid.org — a vast array of information on financial aid, including scholarships

www.srnexpress.com — scholarship searches of 8,000 national programs from 1,500 organizations

www.studentservices.com/fastweb — possibly the Internet's largest free scholarship search

Instructions for VSAC-assisted scholarships

Applying for VSAC-assisted scholarships is easy if you follow the steps outlined below. Applicants who attempt to apply without following these steps usually have difficulty understanding and completing the process successfully.

Step 1: Make sure you are eligible to apply for VSAC-assisted scholarships.

- You must be a Vermont resident and a United States citizen or permanent resident of the United States to apply for VSAC-assisted scholarships (unless a particular scholarship specifies otherwise). If you are not sure you are a Vermont resident, request a copy of VSAC’s residency brochure or call the VSAC Scholarships Program.
- U.S. military personnel must have Vermont listed as their “home of record.”
- You must not owe a refund on an education grant or be in default on any education loans.
- Dependency status is generally determined by the federal FAFSA methodology.

Step 2: Apply to VSAC for a Vermont grant and file a FAFSA.

- Scholarships that list financial need in their eligibility and selection criteria require the applicant either to:
 - 1) apply to VSAC for a Vermont grant and file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), OR
 - 2) complete and submit Attachment B: Financial Information on pages 39–40 of this booklet.
 For Attachment B, independent students* are defined as:
 - undergraduate students who are 24 years or older; or
 - students who are married or are in civil unions; or
 - students who are veterans of the U.S. armed forces; or
 - students who are currently serving on active duty in the U.S. armed forces for purposes other than training; or
 - students who are orphans or wards of the court; or
 - students who have children and are providing more than half the children’s support
- If you plan to be enrolled in a certificate, non-degree, or undergraduate degree program, apply to VSAC for a Vermont grant and file a FAFSA as soon after January 1, 2009, as possible.
- If you plan to be enrolled in a graduate or professional degree program, complete Attachment B: Financial Information (pages 39–40) instead of applying to VSAC for a Vermont grant.

Step 3: Scan VSAC-assisted scholarships using toolbars.

Each scholarship has a toolbar that provides the most common eligibility criteria. These toolbars can help you scan for scholarships for which you might be most eligible. The key below tells you what the toolbar categories mean.

This scholarship identifier is a VSAC code. Use this code to look up scholarships on the required documents chart (pages 28–33). When you begin your application, list this code in “Section II: Scholarships” of the Unified Scholarship Application (USA) on pages 35–36.

VSAC ID

Student	Program	Enrollment	Duration
Adult students only	Cert/Degree	Full time	1 year
Current college students only	Cert/Undergrad	3/4 time	2 years
Graduate students only	Cert/ND/Undgrd	1/2 time	3 years
High school students only	Degree	1/4 time	4 years
High school or college students	Grad/Profess	Any enrollment	
Any student may apply	Undergrad		
	Any program		

STUDENT indicates what type of student is eligible to apply.

Adult students* only: Applicant must be an independent student who:

- is 24 years or older; or
- is married or in a civil union; or
- is a veteran of the U.S. armed forces; or
- is currently serving on active duty in the U.S. armed forces for purposes other than training; or
- is an orphan or ward of the court; or
- has children and is providing more than half the children’s support

Current college students only: Applicant must be a student already enrolled in and attending postsecondary school.

Graduate students only: Applicant must have already obtained a four-year, undergraduate degree and be enrolled in graduate or professional-level coursework.

High school students only: Applicant must be a high school senior who will have earned either a high school diploma or GED by the start of the upcoming school year.

High school or college students: Applicant may be a high school senior who will have earned either a high school diploma or GED by the start of the upcoming school year, OR be a student already enrolled in and attending postsecondary school.

Any student may apply: There are no requirements as to the type of student who may apply.

* Definitions and guidelines for independent/adult students may change for 2009–2010. Please call VSAC if you are unsure of your independent/adult status.

PROGRAM indicates the type of college or training program in which you must be enrolled.

Cert/Degree: Applicant must be enrolled in a certificate program or a degree program (undergraduate, graduate, or professional).

Cert/Undergrad: Applicant must be enrolled in a certificate program OR an undergraduate associate's or bachelor's degree program.

Cert/ND/Undgrd: Applicant must be enrolled in a certificate program, a non-degree program, OR an undergraduate associate's or bachelor's degree program.

Degree: Applicant must be enrolled in a degree program (undergraduate, graduate, or professional).

Grad/Profess: Applicant must already have received a bachelor's degree and be enrolled in a graduate or professional degree program.

Undergrad: Applicant must be enrolled in an undergraduate associate's or bachelor's degree program.

Any program: There are no requirements as to the type of program in which you enroll.

ENROLLMENT indicates the minimum enrollment required for you to be eligible to apply.

Full time: Applicant must be enrolled at least full time (minimum 12 credits per term).

3/4 time: Applicant must be enrolled at least three-quarter time (minimum 9 credits per term).

1/2 time: Applicant must be enrolled at least half time (minimum 6 credits per term).

1/4 time: Applicant must be enrolled at least quarter time (minimum 3 credits per term).

Any enrollment: There are no requirements as to the number of credits you take.

DURATION indicates whether the scholarship is for one year only or may be renewed for two, three, or four years.

1 year: Recipient will receive this scholarship for one year only.

2 years: Recipient will receive this scholarship for the first year and will have an opportunity to renew it for a second year.

3 years: Recipient will receive this scholarship for the first year and will have an opportunity to renew it for a second and third year.

4 years: Recipient will receive this scholarship for the first year and will have an opportunity to renew it for a second, third, and fourth year.

Step 4: Identify the VSAC-assisted scholarships for which you will apply.

- Carefully read each VSAC-assisted scholarship description (pages 6–26).
- If you meet all criteria in the toolbar AND you meet the additional criteria specific to that scholarship, then you are eligible to apply for that scholarship. *Most applicants will identify between six and eight VSAC-assisted scholarships for which they are eligible to apply.*
- Some scholarships will indicate that you must demonstrate financial need and/or academic achievement. Don't let this discourage you from applying; the scholarship committee will compare your financial need and/or academic achievement with the other applicants, and you may very well demonstrate the highest financial need and/or the highest academic achievement.
- If you wish to apply for the scholarship, enter the VSAC ID in "Section II: Scholarships" of the Unified Scholarship Application (USA) on pages 35–36.

Step 5: Identify required documents.

- Read page 27 carefully to familiarize yourself with the various documents you may be required to submit for each VSAC-assisted scholarship. This page provides specific information on required documents, such as an explanation of what constitutes an official transcript.
- Locate the required documents chart (pages 28–33). Every VSAC-assisted scholarship is listed in alphabetical order by its VSAC ID, along with the documents required for that scholarship's application.
- Using the VSAC ID you entered in "Section II: Scholarships" of the Unified Scholarship Application, locate and **highlight on the chart** each scholarship for which you are applying.

Step 6: Submit required documents.

- Starting with the first VSAC ID that is highlighted on the chart, submit ALL required documents for that scholarship.
- Move to the next VSAC ID and submit the required documents you did NOT ALREADY SUBMIT for the first VSAC ID.
- Repeat this process until you have submitted ALL required documents for EVERY VSAC ID you highlighted on the chart.
- Please submit only ONE original of any particular document (duplicates will be discarded). Once it is on file with the VSAC Scholarships Program, it will be available to any group that requires it.

Quick search by county . . .

(VSAC-assisted scholarships only)

Neither of the following two lists is meant to be used as an exclusive list; in other words, simply because there are four scholarships listed for students from Essex County doesn't mean there are only four available to those students. It means simply that there are at least four. Note also that there may be further requirements for eligibility; for example, the scholarships listed for a particular county may have additional requirements involving fields of study, affiliation with a community organization, or other criteria.

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BPW (page 8)
BPW-S&T (page 8)
JLCV (page 14)
LOWENSTEIN (page 15)
LYON-D&A (page 16)
NWVTACCT (page 17)

BENNINGTON

BOARD-JG (page 8)

CALEDONIA

BOARD-JB (page 7)
JOHNSON (page 14)
KINNEY (page 14)
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TAIGH (page 20)

CHITTENDEN

BPW (page 8)
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ESSEX

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FRANKLIN

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GRAND ISLE

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LAMOILLE

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ORANGE

ORANGECTY (page 17)
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ORLEANS

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BOARD-JB (page 7)
HIGHLOW-LV (page 12)
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REARDON (page 18)

RUTLAND

BOARD-JG (page 8)
MACIAG (page 16)

WASHINGTON

BAKER (page 7)
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REARDON (page 18)

WINDHAM

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DURFEE-U (page 10)
SWITZER (page 20)

WINDSOR

REDHAWK (page 18)

Please note:

Out of 118 VSAC-assisted scholarships, 57 are represented in this quick search by county.

... and by major/field of study

(VSAC-assisted scholarships only)

ACCOUNTING

NWVTACCT (page 17)

AGRICULTURE

VSG-AG (page 22)
VSG-CHAG (page 22)
VTDAIRY (page 23)
VTFEEDDEAL (page 24)

ARCHITECTURE/DESIGN

GRANGER (page 12)
MACIAG (page 16)

ARTS

General arts

BOARD-JG (page 8)
JEFFRD-MHJ (page 13)
VAAE (page 21)

Performing arts

ALBEE (page 6)
LYMAN (page 15)

Visual/fine arts

GRANGER (page 12)
MACIAG (page 16)
VTHAND (page 24)

AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY

CVSR (page 9)

BUSINESS

ANGELL (page 6)
GALLAGHER (page 11)
KITREDG (page 14)
VTNH-DMG (page 25)
ZABROSKY (page 26)

COMMUNICATIONS

ALBEE (page 6)

CONSTRUCTION

DEW-SS (page 10)
KILBOURN (page 14)

CULINARY

AIWF (page 6)

EDUCATION

General

ANGELL (page 6)
JEFFRD-MJM (page 13)
PATNO (page 17)
TRINITY (page 20)
VSG-CHED (page 22)
ZABROSKY (page 26)

Administration

BARROWS (page 7)

Elementary education

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Special education

HULL (page 13)
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ENGINEERING/TECHNOLOGY

GATES (page 11)
KILBOURN (page 14)

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES/ LIFE SCIENCES

GMWEA (page 12)
STAFFORD (page 19)
VTLAKEPOND (page 25)
WILLIST-EL (page 26)

FAMILY/CONSUMER SCIENCES

VTTEACH (page 26)

HEALTH CARE

General

AMBULANCE (page 6)
DAVIS-EJ (page 9)
KINNEY (page 14)
MCHUGH (page 16)
PATNO (page 17)
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VTHHRAS (page 24)

Dental

VTDENTAL (page 23)
VTDENTIST (page 24)
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Nursing

ANDREWS (page 6)
SWITZER (page 20)
VSG-COSS (page 22)
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HUMAN RESOURCES

VTHHRAS (page 24)

PUBLIC SAFETY

SAVAGE (page 19)
VPA-EB (page 21)
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PARALEGAL STUDIES

VTPARLGL (page 25)

SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY

BPW-S&T (page 8)

SOCIAL SCIENCES

COOLIDGE (page 9)
VTDAR (page 23)

SOCIAL WORK

NASW-VT (page 16)
PATNO (page 17)
TRINITY (page 20)

VETERINARY MEDICINE/ ANIMAL SCIENCES

GMDOGCLUB (page 11)

Please note:

Out of 118 VSAC-assisted scholarships, 70 are represented in this quick search by major or field of study.

AIWF

Any student may apply | Undergrad | 3/4 time | 1 year

AIWF Culinary Scholarship

(sponsored by the Vermont Chapter of the American Institute of Wine and Food)

The Vermont Chapter of the American Institute of Wine and Food established this scholarship to encourage Vermont students with a passion for and commitment to the culinary arts to pursue postsecondary education or training in this profession.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in the culinary arts
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Maximum one \$2,500 scholarship

Selection: Essays, recommendation letter, financial need, and personal interview (if necessary)

Average applicants: 18

Average awards: 1

ALBEE

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Full time | 1 year

Terry Albee Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established by family and friends to honor Terry's career as a journalist and his passion for music, particularly jazz.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in one of 12 towns served by North Country Union High School (Brighton, Charleston, Coventry, Derby, Holland, Jay, Lowell, Morgan, Newport City, Newport Town, Troy, and Westfield) (*preference given to college juniors and seniors who are residents of Newport City and Newport Town*)
- Seek a degree in the performing arts or communications (*preference given to students seeking a degree in music or journalism*)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essays, recommendation letters, and financial need

Average applicants: 9

Average awards: 1

AMBULANCE

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Waterbury Ambulance Service, Inc., Scholarship

The Waterbury Ambulance Service, Inc., created this scholarship to encourage residents of Duxbury, Moretown, Waterbury, and Waterbury Center to pursue postsecondary education in health care.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Duxbury, Moretown, Waterbury, or Waterbury Center
- Seek education or training in a health care field
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Two \$2,500 scholarships

Selection: Essays, recommendation letter, and financial need

Average applicants: 4

Average awards: 2

ANDREWS

Any student may apply | Degree | Any enrollment | 1 year

Jean Andrews Nursing Scholarship

(sponsored by Porter Hospital Women's Auxiliary)

This scholarship was created to encourage students to enter the nursing profession.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Addison County
- Seek a degree in registered nursing or nursing education
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$1,200 scholarship

Selection: Financial need and essays

Average applicants: 7

Average awards: 1

ANGELL

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 1 year

Philip and Alice Angell Eastern Star Scholarship

This scholarship was established in memory of Philip and Alice Angell, both of whom were active in the Vermont Order of Eastern Star (OES) for more than 50 years.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in business or education
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$500 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, essays, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: 75

Average awards: 1

ARNOLD

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Full time | 4 years

Don and Peg Arnold Scholarship

This scholarship was created to provide financial support for students from the eight towns served by the Shoreham Telephone Company.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in one of eight towns served by the Shoreham Telephone Company (Benson, Castleton, Cornwall, Hubbardton, Orwell, Shoreham, Sudbury, and Whiting)
- Demonstrate outstanding academic achievement and promise of continued excellence
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement

Amount: One \$5,000 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, recommendation letters, and essays

Average applicants: 15

Average awards: 1

Submit all required documents.

Check the required documents chart carefully to be sure you have submitted all documents required for every scholarship for which you are applying. Remember to submit one original of each particular document (duplicates will be discarded). Once it is on file with the VSAC Scholarships Program, it will be available to any group that requires it.

ASCUTNEYMT

High school students only | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 1 year

Ascutney Mountain Audubon Society Scholarship

This scholarship was established to assist a graduating high school senior who lives in the Ascutney Mountain area of Vermont and who has demonstrated a strong commitment to the environment.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Andover, Athens, Baltimore, Bellows Falls, Bridgewater, Cavendish, Chester, Grafton, Hartland, Londonderry, Ludlow, Plymouth, Pomfret, Reading, Rockingham, Springfield, Weathersfield, Westminster, Weston, West Windsor, Windsor, or Woodstock
- Seek a bachelor's degree
- Demonstrate community involvement/service (*preference given to applicants who demonstrate community involvement/service related to preserving and/or conserving the environment*)

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000

Selection: Essays, recommendation letter, and personal interview (if necessary)

Average applicants: TBD

Average awards: 1

BAKER

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 4 years

Newton H. Baker Scholarship

(sponsored by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation)

This scholarship was established by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation (VSAC) to honor the contributions Newton Baker made to Vermont students and to VSAC as the founder of its outreach programs.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Washington County
- Be either the first generation in your family to attend postsecondary school or face significant barriers that limit your access to a post-secondary education
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community service

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, essays, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: 20

Average awards: 1

BARROWS

Graduate students only | Grad/Profess | Any enrollment | 1 year

Max Barrows Graduate Scholarship in Educational Administration

(sponsored by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation)

This scholarship was established by VSAC in memory of Max Barrows (1899–1982), VSAC's first executive director.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in education administration
- Intend to work in Vermont to improve the quality of education
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essays, academic achievement, and financial need

Average applicants: 5

Average awards: 1

BLITTERS

Current college students only | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 2 years

Blittersdorf Family Scholarship

The Blittersdorf family created this scholarship in 2008 to assist residents of Orleans County with obtaining a bachelor's degree.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Orleans County
- Seek a bachelor's degree
- Be enrolled in your junior or senior year of college
- Demonstrate potential for academic success
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Up to two scholarships ranging from \$2,500 to \$5,000

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, and essays

Average applicants: TBD

Average awards: TBD

BOARD-BM

Adult students only | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

VSAC Board of Directors Scholarship (Bette Matkowski) (sponsored by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation)

VSAC established this scholarship to honor the contributions Bette Matkowski made as a VSAC board member from August 1993 through January 2001.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Two \$1,000 scholarships

Selection: Financial need and essays

Average applicants: 90

Average awards: 2

BOARD-JB

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Full time | 4 years

VSAC Board of Directors Scholarship (Joseph Boutin) (sponsored by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation)

VSAC established this scholarship to honor the contributions Joseph Boutin made as a VSAC board member from October 1985 through June 2007.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in the Northeast Kingdom of Vermont (Caledonia, Essex, or Orleans County) OR reside in Burlington
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Two scholarships up to \$1,000 each

Selection: Financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: TBD

Average awards: 2

Remember ...

most scholarship groups will not consider your application if it is incomplete (missing one or more required documents) or late (one or more required documents is postmarked after March 1, 2009).

BOARD-JG

Any student may apply | Degree | Any enrollment | 4 years

VSAC Board of Directors Scholarship (Joan Goodrich) (sponsored by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation)

VSAC established this scholarship to honor the contributions Joan Goodrich made as a VSAC board member from October 1985 through July 2003.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Bennington or Rutland County
- Seek a degree in the visual/performing arts
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Two \$1,000 scholarships

Selection: Financial need, essays, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: 3

Average awards: 1

BOARD-JR

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Full time | 1 year

VSAC Board of Directors Scholarship (Jon F. Ratti) (sponsored by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation)

VSAC established this scholarship to honor the contributions Jon F. Ratti made as a VSAC board member from November 1999 through June 2005.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Graduate (or have graduated) from Bellows Falls Union High School, Green Mountain Union High School, or Springfield High School
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essays, recommendation letter, financial need, and academic achievement

Average applicants: 44

Average awards: 1

BONFIGLI

High school students only | Undergrad | Full time | 1 year

Daniel Bonfigli Memorial Tennis Scholarship

This scholarship was created in 2008 by Dan Bonfigli's family to honor his lifetime commitment to promoting the game of tennis.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Plan to participate in the tennis program at a postsecondary school in Division I, II, or III
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement/service

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000

Selection: Recommendation letter, financial need, and essays

Average applicants: TBD

Average awards: TBD

BPW

Adult students only | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Burlington Business and Professional Women's Organization Scholarship

This scholarship was established to help single parents advance their careers.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Addison, Chittenden, Franklin, Grand Isle, or Lamoille County
- Be the head of a single-parent family
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Scholarships range from \$500 to \$1,000

Selection: Financial need, essays, and resumé

Average applicants: 7

Average awards: 1

BPW-S&T

Adult students only | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Burlington Business and Professional Women's Organization Science and Technology Scholarship

This scholarship was established to help women advance their careers in science and/or technology.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Addison, Chittenden, Franklin, Grand Isle, or Lamoille County
- Be a female who is 25 years of age or older
- Seek education or training in a science or technology field

Amount: Average \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essays and resumé

Average applicants: 13

Average awards: 3

BYRD

High school students only | Undergrad | Full time | 4 years

Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship (sponsored by the federal government)

This federally funded program was established by Congress "to promote student excellence and achievement, and to recognize exceptionally able students who show promise of continued excellence." The typical recipient is the valedictorian of his or her graduating high school class with a near-perfect cumulative GPA and very competitive SAT scores. Typically, recipients statewide are academically comparable; no more than two recipients are chosen from any one Vermont county.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a U.S. citizen, national, or permanent resident of the United States
- Demonstrate outstanding academic achievement and promise of continued excellence

Amount: Maximum 12 \$1,500 scholarships

Selection: Academic achievement, recommendation letter, and essays

Average applicants: 285

Average awards: 12

Notification of applicants

Generally, both recipients and non-recipients are notified in mid-May.

CANDON

Adult students only | Undergrad | 1/2 time | 4 years

Sister Elizabeth Candon Scholarship (sponsored by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation)

VSAC created this scholarship to honor the contributions Sister Elizabeth Candon has made to higher education in general and to women seeking higher education in particular.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a female
- Be a single parent with primary custody of at least one child 12 years of age or younger
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, essays, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: 21 **Average awards:** 1

CHAFEE

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont John H. Chafee Education and Training Scholarship (sponsored by the federal government)

This scholarship was established for youths aging out of foster care who are likely to experience difficulty transitioning from foster care to adulthood. The mission of this program is to help children prepare for and enter postsecondary training and educational institutions.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be under the custody of the Vermont Commissioner of the Department for Children and Families (DCF) through 18th birthday OR be adopted after age 16 (but would have remained under the custody of the Vermont Commissioner of the DCF through 18th birthday otherwise)
- Be 21 years of age or younger
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Scholarships generally range from \$1,000 to \$3,000 and may not exceed \$5,000

Selection: Eligibility

Average applicants: N/A **Average awards:** N/A

CHITTENDEN

High school students only | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 4 years

Chittenden Bank Scholarship

This scholarship was established to provide financial assistance to Vermont students who wish to pursue a postsecondary degree.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school located **within the state of Vermont** and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement

Amount: Two \$2,500 scholarships

Selection: Academic achievement, recommendation letters, essays, and financial need

Average applicants: 220 **Average awards:** 2

COOLIDGE

High school or college students | Undergrad | 3/4 time | 1 year

Calvin Coolidge Memorial Foundation Scholarship

This scholarship was established to encourage students to pursue education after high school and to participate in public service. The recipient of this scholarship is encouraged to attend Plymouth Old Home Day on the first Saturday in August at the President Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site, to be recognized by the Coolidge Foundation.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in the social sciences, including, but not limited to, archaeology, anthropology, criminology, economics, geography, history, international relations, philosophy, political science, psychology, social work, sociology, or urban studies
- Demonstrate academic achievement and promise of continued excellence
- Demonstrate community involvement/service

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essays, recommendation letter, and academic achievement

Average applicants: TBD **Average awards:** TBD

CVSR

High school students only | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 1 year

Champlain Valley Street Rodders (CVSR) Scholarship

The Champlain Valley Street Rodders established this scholarship to assist students pursuing careers in the automotive field.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in a field related to automotive technology, mechanics, or repair
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$500 scholarship

Selection: Recommendation letters, essays, financial need, and academic achievement

Average applicants: 9 **Average awards:** 1

DAVIS-EJ

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Elizabeth J. Davis Scholarship

This scholarship was established to assist not only home health care professionals who are obtaining advanced degrees, but also students who are seeking bachelor's degrees in health professions or students seeking home health aid certification.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek education or training related to a health profession or home health care
- Demonstrate financial need
- Intend to work in Vermont for a minimum of two years

Amount: Scholarships range from \$500 to \$3,000

Selection: Financial need, essays, recommendation letter, and personal interview (if necessary)

Average applicants: 40 **Average awards:** 10

DEW-SS

Any student may apply | Any program | Full time | 1 year

DEW Superintendents Scholarship (sponsored by DEW Construction Corporation)

This scholarship was established to encourage students to enter the field of construction.

Eligibility:

- Seek education or training in a field related to construction
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Amount: Up to two scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,000

Selection: Recommendation letter, essays, and financial need

Average applicants: TBD **Average awards:** TBD

DURFEE-G

Graduate students only | Grad/Profess | Any enrollment | 1 year

Hildegard Durfee Scholarship (Graduate)

This scholarship was established to enable residents of Windham County to further their education at the postsecondary graduate level and/or to prepare themselves for career changes that require graduate-level coursework.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Windham County (*preference given to residents of Bellows Falls, Brattleboro, Dummerston, Guilford, Newfane, and Putney*)
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Scholarships range from \$500 to \$1,500

Selection: Recommendation letter, essays, financial need, academic achievement, resumé, and personal interview (if necessary)

Average applicants: 11 **Average awards:** 5

DURFEE-U

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 1 year

Hildegard Durfee Scholarship (Undergraduate)

This scholarship was established to enable residents of Windham County to further their education at the postsecondary undergraduate level and/or to prepare themselves for career changes that require undergraduate-level coursework.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Windham County (*preference given to residents of Bellows Falls, Brattleboro, Dummerston, Guilford, Newfane, and Putney*)
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Scholarships range from \$500 to \$1,500

Selection: Recommendation letter, essays, financial need, academic achievement, and personal interview (if necessary)

Average applicants: 96 **Average awards:** 48

EMS-G&G

Any student may apply | Any program | 3/4 time | 1 year

Gordy and Gwen EMS Scholarship

This scholarship was created to recognize individuals in emergency medical services (EMS) who serve others on a daily basis.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be an active member (with a minimum of one year of active service), OR be a spouse or dependent child of an active member (with a minimum one year of active service), of a Vermont-licensed ambulance or first respond squad in Addison or Chittenden County
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement/service

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$1,000 each

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, and essays

Average applicants: 5 **Average awards:** 1

ESSEX-CIA

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Essex Classical Institute Award Scholarship

This scholarship was established to assist Essex students with the high cost of continuing education beyond high school. Relatives of trustees of The Essex Classical Institute are ineligible to apply for this scholarship.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Essex Town
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Up to three scholarships ranging from \$2,000 to \$4,000; varies annually based on income

Selection: Financial need, essays, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: TBD **Average awards:** TBD

FBLA

High school students only | Cert/ND/Undgrd | Any enrollment | 1 year

Future Business Leaders of America Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 2008 to help FBLA students meet the rising costs of continuing education beyond high school.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a member of the Future Business Leaders of America (state and national)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement/service
- Demonstrate leadership skills

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, and essays

Average applicants: TBD **Average awards:** TBD

Your signature is required.

A missing signature prevents the VSAC Scholarships Program from sharing with scholarship committees any of the information or documents you submit for consideration.

GALLAGHER

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 1 year

Paul Gallagher Entrepreneurial Scholarship (sponsored by the Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce)

This scholarship was established to provide Chittenden County residents with financial assistance to pursue a postsecondary degree in business or a related field.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Chittenden County
- Seek a degree in business or a related field
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate community involvement
- Demonstrate entrepreneurial skills, endeavors, and/or achievements

Amount: Maximum \$2,000

Selection: Recommendation letters, essays, and academic achievement

Average applicants: 17 **Average awards:** 1

GATES

High school students only | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 4 years

Richard T. Gates Engineering and Technology Endowed Challenge Scholarship

This scholarship was established to help worthy and able students pursue a bachelor of science degree in engineering or technology.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Have been born in Vermont
- Have parent(s) who are legal residents of Vermont
- Currently attend a Windham County high school or Springfield High School
- Seek a bachelor of science degree in engineering or technology (program must be accredited by the Accrediting Board for Engineering and Technology)
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$4,000 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, recommendation letter, and essays

Average applicants: 11 **Average awards:** 1

GILMAN

High school students only | Cert/Undergrad | Full time | 4 years

Frank M. and Olive F. Gilman Foundation Scholarship

The Gilman Foundation created this scholarship in 2008 to promote academic growth and achievement in order to foster greater individual earning power and a skilled labor force. Recipients are selected by an independent selection committee not comprised of Gilman Foundation Board members.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited postsecondary school
- Graduate from one of the following Orange County or Windsor County high schools: Black River High School, Blue Mountain Union High School, Chelsea Public School, Green Mountain Union High School, Hartford High School, Mid Vermont Christian School, Oxbow High School, Randolph Union High School, Rochester School, Sharon Academy, South Royalton High School, Springfield High School, Thetford Academy, Whitcomb High School, Williamstown Middle High School, Windsor High School, or Woodstock Union High School (*preference given to applicants who are among the first generation in their families to attend postsecondary school*)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement

Amount: Approximately 95 scholarships up to \$5,000 each

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, and essays

Average applicants: TBD **Average awards:** 95

GMDOGCLUB

Any student may apply | Degree | Any enrollment | 1 year

Green Mountain Dog Club Scholarship

This scholarship was established to help students who wish to improve the quality of life for animals and who are seeking a degree in veterinary medicine, animal science, or a related field.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in veterinary medicine, animal science, or a related field
- Intend to work with animals to improve their quality of health/life
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Average of one \$500 scholarship

Selection: Essays, recommendation letter, academic achievement, and financial need

Average applicants: 33 **Average awards:** 1

Did you submit an OFFICIAL transcript?

An official transcript has either a school seal or an original signature, or both. A transcript submitted without a school seal or original signature is reported to scholarship committees as "UNOFFICIAL." Grade reports and Web printouts are not considered transcripts.

GMWEA

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Full time | 1 year

Green Mountain Water Environment Association Scholarship

This scholarship was created to help support students of environmentalism and to rebuild the water and wastewater management industry in the state.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in a field related to environmental studies, including, but not limited to, conservation, forestry, geology, natural resources management, renewable resources, water quality, or wildlife/wild lands management
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement and/or service

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essays, recommendation letter, academic achievement, and financial need

Average applicants: TBD

Average awards: 1

GRAHAM

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont Sheriffs' Association: William Graham Scholarship

This scholarship was created to honor former Windham County Sheriff William Graham, who has exemplified outstanding public service and community leadership throughout his life.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a dependent of a member of the Vermont Sheriffs' Association
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essays, academic achievement, and financial need

Average applicants: 3

Average awards: 1

GRANGER

Any student may apply | Degree | Any enrollment | 1 year

Alfred T. Granger Student Art Fund

This endowed fund was established to support postsecondary education for talented students pursuing studies in architecture, design, fine arts, architectural engineering, or mechanical drawing (CAD).

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in architecture, interior design, studio art, architectural engineering, mechanical drawing, or lighting design
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Four \$2,500 scholarships (undergraduate students) and two \$5,000 scholarships (graduate students)

Selection: Portfolio, recommendation letters, academic achievement, and financial need

Average applicants: 65

Average awards: 6

HICKS

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Full time | 1 year

David A. Hicks Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established to help students who have overcome hardship in their lives (including illness) or who face significant barriers that limit their access to postsecondary education.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Have graduated from Mount Anthony Union High School or West Rutland High School (*preference given to applicants who have overcome hardship in their lives, including illness, or who face significant barriers that limit their access to a postsecondary education*)
- Seek a bachelor's degree
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Maximum one scholarship up to \$1,500

Selection: Essays, recommendation letter, and financial need

Average applicants: 5

Average awards: 1

HIGHLOW-LV

Any student may apply | Any program | 1/2 time | 1 year

High-Low Farm Lowell Vermont Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 2008 to provide financial support to students from Orleans County who are pursuing education or training beyond high school.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Orleans County (*preference given to residents of Lowell*)
- Demonstrate participation in extracurricular activities
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Amount: Maximum one \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essays, recommendation letter, and financial need

Average applicants: TBD

Average awards: 1

HOEHL

Any student may apply | Cert/Undergrad | Full time | 4 years

Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom Scholarship (sponsored by the Hoehl Family Foundation)

This scholarship was established to honor the men and women of the U.S. armed forces and National Guard who have served or are serving in Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a child of a member of any branch of the armed forces or National Guard whose residence or home of record is Vermont; armed forces or Guard member must have served or currently be serving in Operation Enduring Freedom and/or Operation Iraqi Freedom (*preference given to candidates whose parent was killed, wounded, or became permanently disabled as a result of his or her service*)
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Scholarships range from \$3,500 to \$7,000

Selection: Financial need, essays, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: TBD

Average awards: TBD

HULL

Graduate students only | Grad/Profess | 1/4 time | 1 year

Dr. Marc Hull Special Education Leadership Scholarship (sponsored by the Vermont Council of Special Education Administrators)

This scholarship was created to honor Dr. Marc Hull, a former Vermont commissioner of education who dedicated his professional career to creating equitable learning opportunities for people with disabilities.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a certificate or license in special education administration
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$1,250 each

Selection: Recommendation letter, essays, and academic achievement

Average applicants: 4 **Average awards:** 1

HURLEY

High school students only | Undergrad | Full time | 1 year

Carol A. Hurley Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the friends, family, and colleagues of Carol Hurley, a VSAC outreach counselor who helped first-generation college-bound students prepare for college.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Graduate from one of the following high schools: Randolph Area Vocational Center, Randolph Union High School, Rochester School, Whitcomb High School, Windsor High School, or Woodstock Union High School (*preference given to applicants who are among the first generation in their families to attend postsecondary school*)
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$1,000 each

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, essays, and academic achievement

Average applicants: 20 **Average awards:** 1

ISHAM

Any student may apply | Any program | 1/2 time | 1 year

Franklin H. Isham Memorial Scholarship

Mrs. Olive Wilcox created this scholarship to honor the memory of her husband, Franklin Horace Isham.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Franklin County
- Have graduated from a Franklin County high school
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Maximum one \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, and essays

Average applicants: 35 **Average awards:** 1

JEFFRD-EDJ

Any student may apply | Undergrad | 1/2 time | 1 year

Students with Disabilities Endowed Scholarship Honoring Elizabeth Daley Jeffords

(sponsored by the Senator Jeffords Endowment Scholarship Fund)

Former U.S. Senator James M. Jeffords of Vermont established this scholarship to honor his wife, Elizabeth Daley Jeffords, by providing financial support to students with disabilities who wish to pursue their dream of obtaining a postsecondary degree.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Demonstrate documented disability (school 504 or IEP Plan)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$1,500 each

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, financial need, and personal interview (if necessary)

Average applicants: 70 **Average awards:** 2

JEFFRD-MHJ

High school students only | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 1 year

Senator James M. Jeffords Endowed Scholarship to Honor Marion Hausman Jeffords

Former U.S. Senator James M. Jeffords of Vermont established this scholarship in memory of his mother, Marion Hausman Jeffords, to honor her career as an educator who taught music and art in Rutland.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Rutland County or attend a Rutland County high school
- Seek a degree in the arts, including, but not limited to, music, visual arts, dance, or theater
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Minimum two scholarships up to \$1,500 each

Selection: Recommendation letter, essays, financial need, and academic achievement

Average applicants: 8 **Average awards:** 1

JEFFRD-MJM

High school students only | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 1 year

Senator James M. Jeffords Endowed Scholarship to Honor Mary Jeffords Mills

Former U.S. Senator James M. Jeffords of Vermont established this scholarship to honor his sister, Mary Jeffords Mills, by inspiring and encouraging future generations of teachers.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Rutland County or attend a Rutland County high school (*preference given to Rutland High School seniors*)
- Seek a degree in education
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Up to three \$1,000 scholarships

Selection: Recommendation letter, essays, financial need, and academic achievement

Average applicants: 8 **Average awards:** 1

JLCV

Any student may apply | Any program | 1/2 time | 1 year

Junior League of Champlain Valley Scholarship

The Junior League of Champlain Valley established this scholarship to further its mission to strive to improve the quality of life for local children, women, and families.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Addison, Chittenden, Franklin, Grand Isle, or Lamoille County
- Be a single parent with primary custody of at least one minor child 17 years of age or younger
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, essays, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: 6 **Average awards:** 1

JOHNSON

Any student may apply | Cert/Undergrad | 3/4 time | 1 year

Jennie Johnson Scholarship

This scholarship was created to honor the memory of Jennie Johnson, a sergeant in the U.S. Air Force during the Vietnam War.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Caledonia, Essex, Franklin, Lamoille, or Orleans County
- Intend to reside and work in Vermont upon graduation
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, recommendation letter, and essays

Average applicants: TBD **Average awards:** 1

KILBOURN

High school students only | Undergrad | Full time | 1 year

**Kilbourn-Sawyer Memorial Scholarship
(sponsored by Pizzagalli Construction Company)**

The Pizzagalli Construction Company established this scholarship to recognize a Vermont graduating high school senior who demonstrates outstanding performance in a range of areas. The scholarship assists with his or her pursuit of a degree in a construction-related field.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in construction or engineering
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$2,000 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, essays, academic achievement, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: 38 **Average awards:** 1

KINNEY

Any student may apply | Any program | Full time | 1 year

Taini Mae Kinney Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the family and friends of Taini Mae Kinney who wished to honor Taini's kindness toward others.

Eligibility:

- Reside in the Northeast Kingdom of Vermont (Caledonia, Essex, or Orleans County)
- Seek education or training in a health care field, including holistic health
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, essays, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: TBD **Average awards:** 1

KITTREDG

High school students only | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 1 year

**Kittredge Coddington Memorial Scholarship
(sponsored by the Vermont Chamber of Commerce Business-Education Partnership)**

This scholarship was established by the Vermont Chamber of Commerce to aid students who are planning a career in business or industry.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school located **within the state of Vermont** and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in business or a related field

Amount: Two \$500 scholarships (one to a female and one to a male)

Selection: Recommendation letters and essays

Average applicants: 36 **Average awards:** 2

LEONARD

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

**Charles E. Leonard Memorial Scholarship
(sponsored by the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired)**

This scholarship was created in memory of Charles Leonard by his mother after his death in 1981. Mr. Leonard, who was blind, was an engineer at General Electric for many years and served as president of VABVI from 1978 to 1980.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be blind or visually impaired (after best corrected vision), OR be a child of a blind or visually impaired person, OR pursue a career in the education or rehabilitation of blind or visually impaired people
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Approximately four \$500 scholarships

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, and essays

Average applicants: 5 **Average awards:** 2

LEOPOLD

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Roxane Leopold Scholarship (sponsored by King Street Youth Center)

King Street Youth Center created this scholarship to honor the achievements of Roxane Leopold, who served as executive director from 1985 to 2007, and to improve the lives of King Street youth and their families through education and training.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be or have been served by King Street Youth Center
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Scholarships range from \$500 to \$2,500 — maximum \$10,000 awarded

Selection: Financial need, essay, recommendation letter, and personal interview (if necessary)

Average applicants: TBD **Average awards:** TBD

LESTER

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 1 year

Emily Lester Vermont Opportunity Scholarship (sponsored by the State of Vermont)

This scholarship is administered with the proceeds from a trust fund established through an annual appropriation from State of Vermont's general fund.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school located **within the state of Vermont** and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be currently under the custody of the Vermont Commissioner of the Department for Children and Families (DCF) OR be between the ages of 18 and 24 and have been under the custody of the Vermont Commissioner of the DCF for at least six months when applicant was between the ages of 16 and 18
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Scholarships generally range from \$1,000 to \$2,000 and may not exceed \$3,000.

Selection: Eligibility

Average applicants: N/A **Average awards:** N/A

LIONS-JU

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Jericho-Underhill Lions Club Scholarship

The Jericho-Underhill Lions Club created this scholarship to encourage residents in the Jericho-Underhill area to serve their communities and develop high ethical standards.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Bolton, Huntington, Jericho, Richmond, or Underhill
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community service and good citizenship

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$500 each

Selection: Recommendation letter, essays, financial need, and academic achievement

Average applicants: 10 **Average awards:** 3

LOWENSTEIN

High school students only | Undergrad | Full time | 4 years

Amy Lowenstein Scholarship

This scholarship was created to provide financial support for academically promising graduates of Addison County public high schools who plan to attend a competitive, degree-granting, four-year, accredited post-secondary school full time.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Addison County
- Attend a competitive postsecondary school
- Seek a bachelor's degree
- Demonstrate outstanding academic achievement and promise of continued excellence
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement

Amount: Two or more scholarships totaling \$8,000

Selection: Academic achievement, essays, financial need, and recommendation letters

Average applicants: 40 **Average awards:** 4

LYMAN

Any student may apply | Degree | Any enrollment | 1 year

Lee A. Lyman Memorial Music Scholarship (sponsored by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation)

VSAC established this scholarship in memory of Lee A. Lyman, who served as director of VSAC's Education Loan Finance Program for 10 years (1984–1994).

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in music
- Demonstrate participation in music-related activities, performances, and/or groups
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Four \$1,000 scholarships

Selection: Recommendation letter, essays, academic achievement, and financial need

Average applicants: 32 **Average awards:** 4

Residency

You must be a Vermont resident and a United States citizen or permanent resident of the United States to apply for VSAC-assisted scholarships (unless a particular scholarship specifies otherwise). If you are not sure you are a Vermont resident, request a copy of VSAC's residency brochure or call the VSAC Scholarships Program.

LYON-D&A

High school students only | Undergrad | Full time | 2 years

Denton and Ann Lyon Scholarship

This scholarship was created to assist graduating high school seniors from Addison County who demonstrate strong financial need and high academic achievement, and who are committed to attending and succeeding in postsecondary school.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school located **within the state of Vermont** and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Addison County
- Graduate from an Addison County high school, OR be a home-schooled or GED recipient who would otherwise have graduated from an Addison County high school
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement and/or service

Amount: Two scholarships up to \$2,000 each

Selection: Financial need, essays, recommendation letter, and academic achievement

Average applicants: TBD

Average awards: 2

MACIAG

High school students only | Any program | 1/2 time | 1 year

John and Ruth Maciag Scholarship

This scholarship was created to honor John and Ruth's commitment to art and design, learning, and international travel.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Rutland County
- Seek education or training in architecture, architectural engineering, computer graphics and animation, fine arts, interior design, studio art, or a related field
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000

Selection: Recommendation letter, essays, and financial need

Average applicants: 18

Average awards: 1

MAY

Adult students only | Cert/ND/Undgrd | 1/2 time | 1 year

Edgar May Scholarship

This scholarship was established to honor the life and work of Edgar May.

Eligibility:

- Demonstrate financial need
- Face significant barriers or obstacles that limit your access to a post-secondary education

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$1,000 each

Selection: Financial need, essays, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: TBD

Average awards: TBD

MCHUGH

Any student may apply | Degree | 3/4 time | 1 year

Patrick and Judith McHugh Scholarship

Dr. Pauline McHugh established this scholarship to honor the support and encouragement her parents, Patrick and Judith McHugh, provided for her throughout her youth, especially while she pursued higher education.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in a health care field, including, but not limited to, dentistry, nursing, medicine, pharmacy, psychiatry, or psychology
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, and essays

Average applicants: TBD

Average awards: 1

MURRAY

Any student may apply | Undergrad | 1/2 time | 1 year

Bernice Murray Scholarship

(sponsored by former U.S. Senator James Jeffords and the Federal Executives' Association)

This scholarship was created by former U.S. Senator James M. Jeffords of Vermont, along with family and friends of Bernice Murray, longtime aide to Senator Jeffords. The scholarship was established to honor her unselfish contributions to improving the lives of Vermonters.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a single parent with primary custody of at least one child 12 years of age or younger
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One or more scholarships totaling \$2,000 to be used for payment of child care expenses

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, essays, and personal interview (finalists only)

Average applicants: 20

Average awards: 2

NASW-VT

Any student may apply | Degree | Any enrollment | 1 year

National Association of Social Workers (NASW) Vermont Chapter Gilman Scholarship

The Vermont Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers created this scholarship to help students majoring in social work to obtain professional degrees.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Enroll in an accredited BSW, MSW, or DSW (social work) program
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community service

Amount: Two \$500 scholarships (one to an undergraduate student and one to a graduate or professional student)

Selection: Essays, recommendation letter, academic achievement, and financial need

Average applicants: 22

Average awards: 2

NORDIC

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 2 years

Nordic Educational Trust Scholarship

This two-year scholarship was created to provide education funding to students who want to attend a two-year vocational/technical school. This scholarship is not dependent on past academic performance.

Eligibility:

- Attend a two-year accredited **vocational** or **technical** postsecondary school
- Reside in Chittenden or Grand Isle County, OR be enrolled at a Chittenden or Grand Isle County regional technical center, OR be a graduate of the Community High School of Vermont (CHSVT), OR be an ex-offender who earned a GED or adult diploma
- Demonstrate potential for academic success
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Two scholarships totaling \$8,000

Selection: Recommendation letters, essays, financial need, and personal interview

Average applicants: 12

Average awards: 2

NRGREFUG

Any student may apply | Cert/Undergrad | Any enrollment | 2 years

NRG Systems Scholarship for Vermont Refugees

NRG Systems, Inc., established this scholarship in 2008 to assist refugees with obtaining a postsecondary certificate or undergraduate degree.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a refugee who has been resettled in Vermont
- Face significant barriers that limit your access to a postsecondary education
- Demonstrate potential for academic success
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Up to five scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,500

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, and essay

Average applicants: TBD

Average awards: TBD

NWCLUB

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Norwich Women's Club Scholarship

The Norwich Women's Club created this scholarship to recognize and reward Norwich residents who seek education beyond high school. The Norwich Women's Club's Woodworth Award, in particular, recognizes those who have made a significant difference in their communities through service to others.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Norwich
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community service (Woodworth Award only)

Amount: Scholarships range from \$500 to \$2,000

Selection: Essays, financial need, and personal interview (if necessary)

Average applicants: 30

Average awards: 20

NWVTACCT

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 1 year

Northwest Vermont Accounting Scholarship

(sponsored by Wallace W. Tapia, P.C., Certified Public Accountants of Burlington)

This scholarship was established to assist residents of the northwestern part of Vermont who are committed to pursuing a postsecondary education and career in accounting.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Addison, Chittenden, Franklin, Grand Isle, Lamoille, or Washington County
- Seek a degree in accounting
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement

Amount: Two \$500 scholarships

Selection: Essays, recommendation letter, academic achievement, financial need, and resumé

Average applicants: 9

Average awards: 2

ORANGECTY

Adult students only | Undergrad | 1/2 time | 1 year

Orange County Scholarship

This scholarship was created to assist female first-generation college students who have been residents of Orange County for at least one year.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Have resided in Orange County for a minimum of one year
- Be a female who faces significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education (*preference given to applicants who are among the first generation in their families to attend postsecondary school — neither a parent nor a grandparent received a bachelor's degree*)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: 13

Average awards: 1

PATNO

Adult students only | Undergrad | 1/2 time | 1 year

Joyce E. Patno Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Joyce's family to assist adult students who are pursuing a postsecondary education.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in a helping profession, including, but not limited to, education, health, human services, psychology, or social work
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$500 scholarship

Selection: Financial need and essays

Average applicants: 200

Average awards: 1

PIZZAGALLI

High school students only | Undergrad | Full time | 4 years

Remo and Donna Pizzagalli Family Scholarship

This scholarship was created to provide financial support for academically exceptional students who show promise of continued excellence and demonstrate financial need.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Chittenden County
- Seek a bachelor's degree
- Demonstrate outstanding academic achievement and promise of continued excellence
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, recommendation letter, essays, and financial need

Average applicants: 63

Average awards: 1

POSTER

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

VSAC Poster Design Scholarship

(sponsored by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation)

VSAC created this scholarship to develop a poster to communicate VSAC's name, contact information, and services to Vermont residents considering education beyond high school.

Eligibility: Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans).


Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship (winning design), two \$500 scholarships (runners-up), and up to four \$250 scholarships (honorable mentions)

Selection: Creative artwork, original theme, overall visual impact, and accurate representation of VSAC and the services it provides

Average applicants: 65

Average awards: 7

Rules

1. VSAC's **LOGO** must be incorporated into the poster design exactly as shown: 
2. VSAC's **CONTACT INFORMATION** must appear on the poster *exactly* as shown below:
 - Vermont Student Assistance Corporation
 - 10 East Allen Street, PO Box 2000
 - Winooski, VT 05404-2601
 - Toll-free: 800-642-3177
 - Burlington area: 655-9602
 - Web site: www.vvac.org
 - E-mail: info@vsac.org
3. VSAC's **SERVICES** must be incorporated into the poster design:
 - Career information and planning
 - Financial aid information and counseling
 - Grants
 - Loans
 - Scholarships
 - Vermont Higher Education Investment Plan
4. The **ORIENTATION** of the poster may be either horizontal or vertical.
5. The **DIMENSIONS** of the poster may be:
 - between 11" and 16" **wide**
 - between 12" and 20" **high**
6. Should you decide to incorporate "college" or "higher education" into the theme of your poster, refer instead to "postsecondary education."
7. An unlimited number of **COLORS** may be used.

8. The design and/or artwork must be done entirely by the applicant.
9. The design should be creative and original.
10. All entries become the property of VSAC. Original poster designs will not be returned.
11. VSAC reserves the right to reject any entry.
12. Your **name**, **Social Security number**, and the **title of the design** must appear on the back of the design.
13. You may create your poster by hand, by computer, or a combination of both. If you submit your entry on a CD or DVD, a printed poster (paper format) must accompany the disc.

REARDON

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Northeastern Vermont Area Health Education Center Mimi Reardon Scholarship

The Northeastern Vermont Area Health Education Center established this scholarship to honor Dr. Mildred A. Reardon, and to encourage and support students who are pursuing a health or allied health career and who express interest in practicing in Vermont's rural communities.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Caledonia, Essex, Lamoille, Orange, Orleans, or Washington County
- Seek education or training related to health or allied health care
- Demonstrate interest in providing health care in one of Vermont's rural communities
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Scholarships range from \$500 to \$2,000

Selection: Essays, recommendation letter, and financial need

Average applicants: 46

Average awards: 4

REDHAWK

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Full time | 4 years

Red Hawk Environmental Consulting, Ltd., Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Red Hawk Environmental Consulting, Ltd., which believes that higher education helps individuals grasp the global issues affecting our world.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Windsor County (*preference given to residents of Bridgewater and Plymouth*)
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate community service (*preference given to applicants who demonstrate community service related to the environment and environmental awareness*)

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essays, financial need, recommendation letter, and academic achievement

Average applicants: 35

Average awards: 1

Submit complete documents on time.

An incomplete or late required document is the #1 reason an application is not considered by a scholarship committee.

REHABGYM

Any student may apply | Cert/Undergrad | 3/4 time | 1 year

RehabGYM Scholarship

This scholarship was created to assist students who have undergone a significant physical challenge or illness and who met the challenge with courage and perseverance.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Have overcome a significant physical challenge or illness
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One minimum \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essays and financial need

Average applicants: 50

Average awards: 1

ROTARY-CS

Any student may apply | Any program | 1/2 time | 1 year

Charlotte-Shelburne Rotary Club Scholarship

The Charlotte-Shelburne Rotary Club created this scholarship for residents of Charlotte, Hinesburg, or Shelburne who demonstrate uncommon commitment and service to their communities.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in one of three towns served by the Charlotte-Shelburne Rotary Club (Charlotte, Hinesburg, and Shelburne)
- Demonstrate community involvement and/or service

Amount: Scholarships range from \$1,000 to \$3,000

Selection: Recommendation letters and essays

Average applicants: 7

Average awards: 3

ROTARY-WD

Any student may apply | Cert/ND/Undgrd | 1/2 time | 1 year

Woodstock Rotary Scholarship

The Woodstock Rotary Scholarship Fund was established to provide scholarship assistance to graduates of Woodstock Union High School.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Graduate or have graduated from Woodstock High School
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement and/or service

Amount: Up to eight minimum \$1,000 scholarships

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, and essays

Average applicants: TBD

Average awards: TBD

SAMARA

High school students only | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Samara Foundation of Vermont Scholarship

The Samara Foundation of Vermont established this scholarship to support Vermont students who stand for the elimination of homophobia and/or discrimination based on gender identity.

Eligibility: Demonstrate, through significant personal growth, public commitment, and activism, a dedication to the interests of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and questioning community

Amount: Up to \$5,000 awarded annually

Selection: Recommendation letter and essays

Average applicants: 15

Average awards: 3

SAVAGE

Any student may apply | Degree | Any enrollment | 1 year

John Hudson Savage Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by Colchester Rescue)

This scholarship was established to honor John Hudson Savage in recognition of his 28 years of volunteer service to the town of Colchester as a member of the Colchester Rescue crew.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Chittenden County
- Seek a degree in public safety, including, but not limited to, emergency medical services, fire service, health care, or law enforcement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community service

Amount: One \$500 scholarship

Selection: Essays, recommendation letters, financial need

Average applicants: 12

Average awards: 1

SHANKS

Current college students only | Undergrad | Full time | 1 year

Alicia Shanks Memorial Scholarship

Family, friends, colleagues, and former students of Alicia Shanks established this scholarship in memory of Mrs. Shanks to assist college juniors and seniors who have demonstrated the capacity to become passionate and dedicated teachers.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a bachelor's degree in elementary education
- Be enrolled in your junior or senior year of college
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$1,000 each

Selection: Essays, recommendation letter, and academic achievement

Average applicants: TBD

Average awards: 1

STAFFORD

High school students only | Degree | 1/2 time | 4 years

Helen K. and Robert T. Stafford Scholarship

This scholarship was created to honor the entire Stafford family by providing financial support to a student who demonstrates strong financial need and a commitment to a career in environmental studies or special education, and who shows deep compassion and enthusiasm for making the world a better place.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in environmental studies or special education
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement and/or service

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, essays, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: TBD

Average awards: 1

STONYFIELD

Any student may apply | Cert/ND/Undgrd | 1/2 time | 1 year

Stonyfield Farm Endowed Scholarship for St. Albans Cooperative Creamery

The owners of Stonyfield Farm established this scholarship in 2008 to convey their gratitude and appreciation to members and employees of the St. Albans Cooperative Creamery for their support, partnerships, and friendship.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a member or employee, OR be a spouse or dependent child of a member or employee of the St. Albans Cooperative Creamery
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Up to three scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,500

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, and essay

Average applicants: TBD **Average awards:** TBD

SWITZER

Any student may apply | Cert/Undergrad | 1/2 time | 1 year

Helen J. Switzer Nursing Scholarship

Helen Switzer's children established this scholarship to honor their mother's commitment to nursing and her 30-year career caring for the sick and elderly.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Windham County (*preference given to residents of Rockingham, Westminster, Athens, and Grafton — in that order*)
- Enroll in a licensed practical nursing (LPN) degree program, OR an associate's of science in nursing degree program (AS, RN), OR a bachelor of science in nursing degree program (BSN, RN)
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000

Selection: Financial need, essays, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: TBD **Average awards:** 1

TAIGH

Any student may apply | Undergrad | 1/2 time | 1 year

Taigh Scholarship

This scholarship was established to inspire and encourage residents of Peacham to pursue a postsecondary education. It is the donors' intent to assist students from rural areas, particularly those who are among the first generation in their families to attend postsecondary school.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Caledonia County (*preference given to applicants who are residents of Peacham and/or are among the first generation in their families to attend postsecondary school*)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$1,000 each

Selection: Essays, recommendation letters, and financial need

Average applicants: 35 **Average awards:** 1

THV

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

THV Scholarship

This scholarship was created to encourage Windham County residents to seek postsecondary education and to contribute fully to freedom, peace, and social understanding throughout the world, beginning in their own homes and communities.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Windham County or in the towns of Readsboro or Searsburg in Bennington County (*preference given to residents of the Deerfield Valley towns of Dover, Halifax, Readsboro, Searsburg, Whitingham, and Wilmington who are first-generation college-bound, and/or nontraditional students*)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement

Amount: Scholarships range from \$1,000 to \$5,000 — maximum \$25,000 awarded annually

Selection: Financial need, essays, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: 80 **Average awards:** 20

TRINITY

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Full time | 1 year

Trinity College of Vermont Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by the Trinity College of Vermont Association of Alumni and Friends)

The Trinity College of Vermont Association of Alumni and Friends awards this scholarship to promote empowerment through education, and to encourage work that supports healthy communities and social justice.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in social work or education
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement and/or service

Amount: One \$500 scholarship

Selection: Essays, recommendation letter, financial need, and academic achievement

Average applicants: 70 **Average awards:** 1

UPPERVALLEY

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 4 years

Upper Valley Scholarship

(sponsored by the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation)

This scholarship was created to provide financial support to residents of the Upper Valley who pursue education after high school.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in the Upper Valley of Vermont (Baltimore, Barnard, Bethel, Bradford, Bridgewater, Cavendish, Chelsea, Corinth, Fairlee, Groton, Hartford, Hartland, Newbury, Norwich, Pomfret, Randolph, Reading, Royalton, Ryegate, Sharon, South Royalton, Springfield, Strafford, Thetford, Topsham, Tunbridge, Vershire, Weathersfield, West Fairlee, West Windsor, Windsor, or Woodstock)
- Demonstrate financial need (*preference given to applicants who are among the first generation in their families to attend postsecondary school*)
- Demonstrate community involvement/service

Amount: Approximately four scholarships up to \$1,000 each

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, and essays

Average applicants: TBD **Average awards:** 4

VAAE

High school students only | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont Alliance for Arts Education (VAAE) Scholarship

This scholarship was established to encourage young, talented musicians, vocalists, visual artists, dancers, and theater high school seniors to pursue careers in the arts. Recipients of this scholarship may be invited to perform and/or exhibit at VAAE functions.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in the arts, including, but not limited to, music, visual arts, dance, or theater
- Demonstrate significant skill and talent in an artistic medium (music, art, dance, theater)
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Up to four \$500 scholarships — goal is to award one \$500 scholarship each in music, art, dance, and theatre

Selection: Portfolio, essays, recommendation letters, financial need, and academic achievement

Average applicants: 40 **Average awards:** 4

VETCLUB

High school students only | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Burlington Veterans' Club Scholarship

The Burlington Veterans' Club established an education trust fund with VSAC to help Vermont students pursue a postsecondary education. VSAC arranged for the proceeds of the trust to be distributed annually as scholarships to Chittenden County high school seniors.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Graduate from a Chittenden County high school
- Demonstrate academic achievement (top 10 percent of graduating high school class)
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Number of scholarships and award amounts vary annually and are dependent upon proceeds from the trust fund

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, recommendation letter, and essays

Average applicants: 35 **Average awards:** 1

VFWLUDLOW

Any student may apply | Cert/ND/Undgrd | 3/4 time | 1 year

Ludlow VFW Scholarship

The members of the Ludlow VFW Post 10155 established this scholarship to help students from Ludlow, Plymouth, Cavendish, and Mount Holly who aspire to attend college but lack the financial means to do so.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Ludlow, Cavendish, Plymouth, or Mount Holly (*preference given to students who had a parent or grandparent that served in any branch of the armed forces*)
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Minimum one scholarship up to \$1,000

Selection: Financial need, essays, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: TBD **Average awards:** 1

VPA-EB

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 1 year

**Vermont Police Association:
Erwin Bugbee Memorial Scholarship**

The Vermont Police Association created this scholarship in memory of one of its past presidents, Erwin Bugbee of the Bellows Falls Police Department.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in law enforcement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essays and financial need

Average applicants: 15 **Average awards:** 1

VPA-GG&RW

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 4 years

**Vermont Police Association:
Gene Gaiotti & Ron West Memorial Scholarship**

The Vermont Police Association created this scholarship in memory of one of its past presidents, Gene Gaiotti, a member of the Vermont Liquor Control Department who was killed in the line of duty, and Ron West.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a dependent of a police officer who is an active member of the Vermont Police Association
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essays and financial need

Average applicants: 8 **Average awards:** 1

VPA-HF

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 1 year

**Vermont Police Association:
Herbert Fullam Scholarship**

The Vermont Police Association created this scholarship in memory of one of its founders, Herbert Fullam of the Springfield Police Department.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a dependent of a police officer who is an active member of the Vermont Police Association
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essays and financial need

Average applicants: 10 **Average awards:** 1

Award year

Scholarships awarded in 2009 are applied toward education expenses that will be incurred during the 2009–2010 academic year (beginning September 1, 2009, and ending August 31, 2010).

VPA-RM

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont Police Association: Raymond R. Mooney Scholarship

The Vermont Police Association created this scholarship in memory of Captain Mooney of the Rutland Police Department, who served for several years as secretary/treasurer of the Vermont Police Association.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek education or training in a field related to emergency services
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essays and financial need

Average applicants: 35

Average awards: 1

VSG-AG

High school students only | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont State Grange Agricultural Scholarship

The Vermont State Grange Agricultural Scholarship was created to encourage Vermont students to enter the field of agriculture.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in agriculture
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community service

Amount: One \$500 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, essays, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: 12

Average awards: 1

VSG-CHAG

Any student may apply | Degree | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont State Grange Cobble Hill Grange Scholarship (Agriculture)

The Cobble Hill Grange created this scholarship to recognize the importance of postsecondary education and to encourage Vermont students to enter the field of agriculture.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in agriculture
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$500 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, and essays

Average applicants: 22

Average awards: 1

VSG-CHED

Any student may apply | Degree | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont State Grange Cobble Hill Grange Scholarship (Education)

The Cobble Hill Grange created this scholarship to recognize the importance of postsecondary education and to encourage Vermont students to enter the field of education.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in education
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$500 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, and essays

Average applicants: 70

Average awards: 1

VSG-COSS

Any student may apply | Cert/Undergrad | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont State Grange Alice Cossingham Scholarship

This scholarship was created to encourage Vermont students to enter the field of nursing.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in nursing (practical nursing, licensed practical nursing, or registered nursing)
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community service

Amount: One \$500 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, essays, and recommendation letter

Average applicants: 25

Average awards: 1

VSG-EAF

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont State Grange Educational Aid Fund

The Vermont State Grange created this scholarship to assist grange members with obtaining an associate's or bachelor's degree.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Applicant or applicant's parent(s) must be a member in good standing of a Vermont subordinate grange
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, and essays

Average applicants: 8

Average awards: 1

VSG-GIBB

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont State Grange Harry H. Gibbs Memorial Scholarship

The Educational Aid Board of the Vermont State Grange established this scholarship in memory of Harry H. Gibbs, a longtime trustee.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans) or a regional vocational/technical school located within Vermont
- Applicant or applicant's parent(s) must be a member in good standing of a Vermont subordinate grange
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, and essays

Average applicants: 7

Average awards: 1

VSG-VT

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont State Grange Scholarship (Vocational/Technical)

The Vermont State Grange created this scholarship to assist grange members with obtaining a vocational or technical education.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited **vocational** or **technical school**
- Applicant or applicant's parent(s) must be a member in good standing of a Vermont subordinate grange
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, and essays

Average applicants: 3

Average awards: 1

VTDAIRY

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Full time | 1 year

Vermont Dairy Industry Association (VDIA) Memorial Scholarship

The Vermont Dairy Industry Association established this scholarship to further its commitment to the education of its members and the study of dairying in the state of Vermont.

Eligibility:

- Attend the **University of Vermont** or **Vermont Technical College**
- Seek a degree in agricultural business/production, agricultural sciences, or a related field
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate community involvement and/or service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Amount: One to six scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$1,000

Selection: Recommendation letters, essays, and academic achievement

Average applicants: 20

Average awards: 6

VTDAR

High school students only | Undergrad | Full time | 1 year

Vermont DAR Good Citizenship Scholarship

This scholarship was created to promote dependability, community service, leadership, religious awareness, and patriotism among high school seniors.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in the social sciences, including, but not limited to, anthropology, archaeology, criminology, economics, geography, history, international relations, political science, sociology, or urban studies
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$500 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, recommendation letter, and essays

Average applicants: 35

Average awards: 1

VTDENTAL

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont Dental Hygiene Scholarship

(sponsored by the Hill Family and Delta Dental Foundation of Vermont)

This scholarship was established by the members of the Vermont State Dental Society to encourage Vermont residents preparing to enter the dental hygiene profession. The Delta Dental Foundation contributes additional funds specifically for dental hygiene students attending Vermont Technical College.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Enroll in a dental hygiene program
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One or more scholarships totaling up to \$8,000 (sponsored by the Hill family), and one or more scholarships totaling up to \$4,000 (sponsored by Delta Dental Foundation of Vermont)

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, recommendation letter, and essays

Average applicants: 12

Average awards: 6

The postmark deadline is critical.

Submit all documents required for each particular scholarship **BY OR BEFORE** the March 1 postmark deadline. **ONE** late document may mean a late application that is not considered by a scholarship committee.

VTDENTIST

Graduate students only | Grad/Profess | Full time | 1 year

Vermont State Dentist Incentive Loan Program (Interest-Free and Forgivable)

(sponsored by the State of Vermont and Vermont Department of Health)

This program was established by the Vermont Legislature to respond to a dentist shortage in Vermont and to ensure an adequate number of dentists to meet the future healthcare needs of Vermonters, including increased access for the Medicaid population. The program is designed for students who are committed to working in Vermont as a dentist upon graduation. Funding for this program is conditional on annual legislative approval. While Vermont residency is **not** required while applicant is attending dental school, he/she must demonstrate a history of previous Vermont residency.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Enroll in an accredited dental school
- Have completed the first year and be entering the second, third, or fourth year of the dental program
- Intend to work as a dentist in Vermont for a minimum of one year following licensure
- Demonstrate academic achievement

Amount: Up to \$20,000 awarded annually

Conditions: Partial/complete forgiveness of interest-free loan under the following conditions: (1) completion of a training program leading to eligibility to sit for dental licensure exams; (2) a successful passing grade on the NDBE and Vermont state licensing exams; and (3) completion of one year of employment as a dentist in Vermont (employment must average no less than 20 hours/week; recipients are expected to accept patients with coverage under Medicaid or other state-funded health care benefit programs)

Selection: Essays, recommendation letter, and academic achievement

Average applicants: TBD

Average awards: TBD

VTDENTLHYG

Any student may apply | Undergrad | 1/2 time | 1 year

Vermont State Dental Hygienist Incentive Loan Program (Interest-Free and Forgivable)

(sponsored by the State of Vermont and Vermont Department of Health)

This program was established by the Vermont Legislature to respond to a shortage of dental hygienists in Vermont and to ensure an adequate number of dental hygienists to meet the future healthcare needs of Vermonters. The program is designed for dental hygiene students who are committed to working in Vermont upon graduation. Funding for this program is conditional upon annual legislative approval.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school located **within the state of Vermont** and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans).
- Enroll in an accredited dental hygiene program
- Have completed the first year of the dental hygiene program and plan to enter the second, third, or fourth year
- Intend to work as a dental hygienist in Vermont for a minimum of one year following licensure
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Approximately four interest-free loans up to \$5,000 each

Conditions: Partial/complete forgiveness of interest-free loan under the following conditions: (1) a successful passing grade on the NDHBE, NERB, and state licensing exams; and (2) completion of one year of employment as a dental hygienist in Vermont (employment must average no less than 20 hours/week)

Selection: Essays, recommendation letter, and financial need

Average applicants: 13

Average awards: 6

VTFEEDDEAL

Any student may apply | Degree | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont Feed Dealers and Manufacturers Association Scholarship

This scholarship was established to encourage students to pursue a degree in a field related to agriculture.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in a field related to agriculture, including, but not limited to, animal sciences, equine studies, agribusiness, plant and soil science, forestry, horticulture, or veterinary medicine or technology

Amount: One or more scholarships totaling up to \$3,000

Selection: Essays and recommendation letter

Average applicants: 60

Average awards: 6

VTTHAND

Any student may apply | Degree | 1/2 time | 1 year

Vermont Hand Crafters, Inc., Artisanhip Scholarship

This scholarship was created to encourage individuals to pursue their interests and talents in art and crafts in order to guarantee the perpetuation of quality artisanship in Vermont.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a Vermont resident for a minimum of two years
- Seek a degree in a visual arts field
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Two \$500 scholarships, one in memory of Travis Canedy

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, portfolio, recommendation letter, essays, and personal interview (if necessary)

Average applicants: 50

Average awards: 2

VTTHRAS

Adult students only | Degree | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont Healthcare Human Resources Association Scholarship

This scholarship was created to encourage highly skilled nontraditional students committed to working in Vermont in health care and/or human resources.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in health care and/or human resources
- Intend to work in Vermont for a minimum of one year
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One or two \$1,000 scholarships

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, essays, and resumé

Average applicants: 25

Average awards: 1

Don't assume.

Call the VSAC Scholarships Program
if you have ANY questions.

Toll-free **888-253-4819**

Burlington area **654-3798**

VTLAKEPOND

Any student may apply | Degree | 1/4 time | 1 year

Vermont Lakes and Ponds Scholarship (sponsored by the Federation of Vermont Lakes and Ponds, Inc.)

This scholarship was created to encourage and support the study of and careers in aquatic environmental studies, water resources education, and limnology.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in environmental studies (*preference given to students seeking a degree in aquatic environmental studies, water resources education, or limnology*)
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement and/or service

Amount: One \$500 scholarship

Selection: Essays, recommendation letters, financial need, and academic achievement

Average applicants: 35

Average awards: 1

VTMENTOR

Any student may apply | Any program | 1/2 time | 1 year

Vermont Mentoring Scholarship

This scholarship was created (1) to provide financial assistance to individuals who have participated as a mentee in a mentoring program; (2) to provide additional incentives for young people to join, fully participate in, and commit to a mentoring program; and (3) to provide a giving avenue for individuals who want to contribute to the mentoring movement but have work and family obligations that limit their ability to do so.

Eligibility:

- Be or have been a mentee in a recognized Mobius mentoring program for a minimum of two consecutive years (excluding e-mentoring)
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Recommendation letter, essays, financial need, and academic achievement

Average applicants: 15

Average awards: 1

VTNH-DMG

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

VT/NH Direct Marketing Group Scholarship

The Vermont/New Hampshire Direct Marketing Group created this scholarship to encourage students to pursue postsecondary education in direct marketing.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek education or training in a field related to direct marketing or business
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One or more scholarships totaling \$500

Selection: Recommendation letter, essays, financial need, and academic achievement

Average applicants: 20

Average awards: 3

VTNURSING

Any student may apply | Degree | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont State Nurse Incentive Loan Program (Interest-Free and Forgivable)

(sponsored by the State of Vermont and Vermont Department of Health)
This program was established by the Vermont Legislature to ensure an adequate number of nurses for the future healthcare needs of Vermonters. The program is designed for students who are committed to working as nurses in Vermont upon graduation. Funding for this program is conditional upon annual legislative approval.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school located **within the state of Vermont** and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Enroll in an accredited licensed practical nursing (LPN) degree program, OR the final year of an accredited associate's of science in nursing degree program (AS, RN), OR the final two years of an accredited bachelor of science in nursing degree program (BSN, RN), OR the master's entry program in nursing (MEPN). (*Graduation from the program must result in eligibility to sit for the NCLEX-RN or NCLEX-PN examination.*)
- Intend to work as a nurse in Vermont or at an accredited hospital within ten miles of the Vermont border for a minimum of one year following licensure
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Approximately 13 interest-free loans up to \$6,000 each

Conditions: Partial/complete forgiveness of interest-free loan under the following conditions: (1) completion of a nursing degree program; (2) LPN or RN licensure; and (3) completion of one year of employment as an RN or LPN either in Vermont or at an accredited hospital within ten miles of the Vermont border

Selection: Essays, recommendation letter, and financial need

Average applicants: 68

Average awards: 15

VTPARGL

Any student may apply | Any program | 1/2 time | 1 year

Vermont Paralegal Organization Scholarship

The Vermont Paralegal Organization established this scholarship to support individuals who wish to pursue education opportunities in the paralegal field.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited paralegal/legal assistant program
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$500 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, essays, and financial need

Average applicants: 5

Average awards: 1

VTSHERIFF

Any student may apply | Degree | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont Sheriffs' Association Scholarship

The Vermont Sheriffs' Association created this scholarship to assist Vermont residents seeking a degree in law enforcement in order to become a police officer.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in law enforcement
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, and essays

Average applicants: 18

Average awards: 1

VTTEACH

Any student may apply | Degree | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont Teachers of Family and Consumer Sciences (VTFCS) Scholarship

This scholarship was created to prepare individuals to become competent, confident, and caring in the management of their personal lives, families, and careers.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in a field related to family and consumer sciences, including, but not limited to, food and nutrition, child development, housing and interiors, family studies, clothing and textiles/merchandising, family and consumer sciences education, or consumer studies (*preference given to students seeking a degree in family and consumer sciences education*)
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$500 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, recommendation letters, essays, and personal interview (if necessary)

Average applicants: 25

Average awards: 1

WEINBERG

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Full time | 4 years

Michael and Deborah Weinberg Scholarship

This scholarship was created to acknowledge the great contribution Vermont community members make by volunteering their time to community rescue squads and fire departments.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Applicant's parent(s) must have volunteered with a Vermont rescue squad and/or fire department for a minimum of five years
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$2,000 scholarship

Selection: Essays, academic achievement, and financial need

Average applicants: 68

Average awards: 1

WILLIST-EL

Any student may apply | Cert/Degree | Any enrollment | 1 year

Town of Williston Environmental and Life Sciences Scholarship

The Town of Williston created this scholarship to provide assistance to students residing in Williston who are pursuing a postsecondary education in environmental and/or life sciences.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Williston
- Seek a certificate or degree in environmental and/or life sciences
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale) or show relevant work/life experience
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Two scholarships up to \$2,500 each — maximum \$5,000 awarded annually

Selection: Essays, financial need, and academic achievement

Average applicants: 12

Average awards: 2

ZABROSKY

Current college students only | Undergrad | Full time | 1 year

Jedidiah Zabrosky Scholarship

This scholarship was created by the friends, coworkers, and family of Jedidiah to honor his memory and legacy.

Eligibility:

- Attend a **Vermont state college** (Castleton State College, Lyndon State College, Johnson State College, Community College of Vermont, Vermont Technical College, or the University of Vermont).
- Seek a degree in business or education
- Currently be employed (minimum 10 hours/week)
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement

Amount: One \$2,000 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letters, essays, and academic achievement

Average applicants: 17

Average awards: 1

Are your name and Social Security number on EVERY document?

If your name and/or Social Security number are not on a document, the VSAC Scholarships Program will be unable to determine that it belongs with your application. Your application will therefore be considered incomplete and will not be considered even though you may have submitted all required documents.

Required documents for VSAC-assisted scholarships (in alphabetical order by VSAC ID)

The required documents chart indicates which of the documents described in detail below must be submitted on or before March 1 to constitute a COMPLETE application for each scholarship. Please remember:

- Submit only the documents that you are required to submit.
- Submit only ONE original of any particular document (duplicates will be discarded). Once a document is on file with the VSAC Scholarships Program, it will be available to each scholarship group that requires it.

UNIFIED SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (USA)

on pages 35–36

- Must be completed by the applicant.
- Required for EVERY VSAC-assisted scholarship included in this booklet.
- Must be completed in full; no sections may be left blank.

ATTACHMENT A: ACADEMIC CERTIFICATION (Att A)

on page 37

- Must be completed by an official from the applicant’s high school or home school.
- Required ONLY if the scholarship is exclusive to high school students who will either graduate or receive a GED by the end of the current school year.
- Required for scholarships that include academic achievement in their eligibility and selection criteria.

ATTACHMENT B: FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Att B)

on pages 39–40

- Must be completed by the applicant.
- Required in lieu of application to VSAC for a Vermont grant and the completion of a FAFSA.
- Required for scholarships that include financial need in their eligibility and selection criteria.

ATTACHMENT C: RECOMMENDATION LETTERS (Att C)

on page 41

- Describes each of the EIGHT (8) possible recommendation letters you MAY be required to submit. Most scholarships require one or two recommendation letters.
- Each letter must be labeled with letter number, letter name, applicant’s name, and applicant’s date of birth. Unlabeled recommendation letters will be entered as “unknown.”

ATTACHMENT E: ESSAYS (Att E)

on page 42

- Describes each of the ELEVEN (11) possible essays you MAY be required to submit. Most scholarships require between one and three essays.
- Each essay must be submitted on a separate piece of paper and must be labeled with essay number, essay name, applicant’s name, and applicant’s Social Security number. Unlabeled essays will be entered as “unknown.”

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT

- An official transcript either has an original school seal, an original signature, or both. Transcripts without a seal and/or signature are reported to scholarship groups as “unofficial.”
- If you HAVE attended a postsecondary school, supply an official transcript from each postsecondary school you have attended.
- If you have NEVER attended a postsecondary school, supply an official transcript from each high school you have attended.

If you have received a GED, you may supply an official report of your GED test results in lieu of an official transcript from a high school.

If you were home-schooled, you may supply: (1) an official home-school transcript; and (2) a verification letter from the Vermont Department of Education (VTDOE) stating that you applied to VTDOE as a home-schooled student, specifying the years you were enrolled, verifying that you submitted the required annual assessments, and indicating the type of assessment that was submitted (teacher letters, portfolio, or both).

FEDERAL INCOME TAX RETURN (FITR)

- Required for some scholarships that include financial need in their eligibility and selection criteria.
- Supply a complete copy of PARENTS’ return if applicant is a dependent student for financial aid purposes and IS claimed on his/her parent(s) return.
- Supply a complete copy of APPLICANT’S return if applicant is an independent student for financial aid purposes and is NOT claimed on his/her parents’ return.

OTHER REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- If a scholarship requires additional documents, they are listed and described in detail in the “Other required documents” column at the far right of the required documents chart.
- Carefully follow the detailed instructions for other required documents.
- Other required documents must be clearly labeled with the applicant’s name and Social Security number, and submitted on a separate piece of paper.

Required documents chart for VSAC-assisted scholarships (in alphabetical order by VSAC ID)

✓ Required

* Required ONLY if you have not applied to VSAC for a Vermont grant and filed a FAFSA.
(If you are enrolled in a graduate or professional degree program, Attachment B is required.)

VSAC ID	Page #	USA	ATT A	ATT B	ATT C: Rec Ltrs	ATT E: Essays	Official transcript	FITR	Other required documents
AIWF	6	✓		*	#4	#2, 5			
ALBEE	6	✓		*	#4, 7	#2, 6			
AMBULANCE	6	✓		*	#4	#2, 6			
ANDREWS	6	✓		*		#2, 5, 6			
ANGELL	6	✓		*	#4	#2, 5	✓		
ARNOLD	6	✓		*	#1, 4	#1, 6, 11	✓		
ASCUTNEYMT	7	✓			#7	#3, 6			
BAKER	7	✓		*	#2	#3, 5, 11			
BARROWS	7	✓		✓		#2, 5, 6	✓	✓	Resumé: Supply a complete original resumé that includes (at minimum) education history, work history, and any special awards or honors received.
BLITTERS	7	✓		*	#4	#5, 6			
BOARD-BM	7	✓		*		#5, 7, 11			
BOARD-JB	7	✓		*	#4	#5			
BOARD-JG	8	✓		*	#3	#1, 2			
BOARD-JR	8	✓		*	#7	#1, 3	✓		
BONFIGLI	8	✓		*	#4	#1, 3			Please note: Applicants are encouraged to submit Attachment C #4 (recommendation letter) from a current or former tennis instructor or coach.
BPW	8	✓		*		#5, 6, 7		✓	Resumé: Supply a complete original resumé that includes (at minimum) education history, work history, and any special awards or honors received.
BPW-S&T	8	✓				#6, 7			Resumé: Supply a complete original resumé that includes (at minimum) education history, work history, and any special awards or honors received.
BYRD	8	✓	✓		#7	#6, 11	✓		
CANDON	9	✓		*	#4	#6, 7, 11		✓	
CHAFEE	9	✓		*					
CHITTENDEN	9	✓	✓	*	#4, 7	#1, 6, 11	✓		
COOLIDGE	9	✓			#4	#2, 3			
CVSR	9	✓	✓	*	#4, 7	#2, 6			
DAVIS-EJ	9	✓		*	#4	#2, 6, 7			
DEW-SS	10	✓		*	#4	#2, 3			

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DURFEE-G	10	✓		✓	#4	#6, 7, 11	✓	✓	Resumé: Supply a complete original resumé that includes (at minimum) education history, work history, and any special awards or honors received.
DURFEE-U	10	✓		*	#4	#6, 7, 11	✓		
EMS-G&G	10	✓		*		#3, 11	✓		Certification: Provide signed statement from the head of a Vermont-licensed ambulance or first respond squad in Addison or Chittenden County, certifying that: (1) the applicant is either an active member, OR a spouse or dependent child of an active member, of a Vermont-licensed ambulance or first respond squad in Addison or Chittenden County; and (2) the squad member has a minimum of one year of active service.
ESSEX-CIA	10	✓		*	#4	#5, 6			
FBLA	10	✓		*	#7	#1, 3			Membership card: Submit a copy of your membership card from the Future Business Leaders of America.
GALLAGHER	11	✓			#1, 4	#2, 3, 4	✓		
GATES	11	✓	✓	*	#7	#2, 5, 6	✓		Birth certificate: Submit a copy of applicant's birth certificate.
GILMAN	11	✓		*	#7	#1, 5			
GMDOGCLUB	11	✓		*	#4	#1, 2, 6	✓		
GMWEA	12	✓		*	#4	#2, 3, 6	✓		
GRAHAM	12	✓		*		#1, 5, 11	✓		Membership card: Submit a copy of parent's membership card from the Vermont Sheriffs' Association.
GRANGER	12	✓		*	#3, 4		✓		Portfolio: Combination of slides and photographs, not to exceed 20 pieces; each piece must be clearly labeled with applicant's full name and Social Security number. Three photographs: If portfolio is in a format other than photographs, submit three photographs representative of your portfolio.
HICKS	12	✓		*	#4	#5, 11			
HIGHLOW-LV	12	✓		*	#4	#1, 11			
HOEHL	12	✓		*	#4	#5, 6			Birth certificate: Submit a copy of applicant's birth certificate. DD-214: Submit a copy of parent's DD-214.
HULL	13	✓			#4	#2, 6	✓		
HURLEY	13	✓	✓	*	#7	#1, 5	✓		
ISHAM	13	✓		*		#5, 11	✓		
JEFFRD-EDJ	13	✓		*	#4	#11	✓		504 or IEP Plan: Submit a copy of your most recent 504 or IEP Plan.
JEFFRD-MHJ	13	✓	✓	*	#3	#1, 2	✓		
JEFFRD-MJM	13	✓	✓	*	#7	#2, 6	✓		

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JLCV	14	✓		*	#4	#6, 11	✓	✓	
JOHNSON	14	✓		*	#4	#5, 6	✓		
KILBOURN	14	✓	✓	*	#7	#2, 6	✓		
KINNEY	14	✓		*	#4	#2, 3			
KITTREDG	14	✓			#1, 7	#2, 4			
LEONARD	14	✓		*		#1, 6, 11	✓		Optometrist report: Submit a copy of the most recent optometrist report, including the cause of the visual impairment and data relating to acuity for each visually impaired person (applicant and/or applicant's parent/s).
LEOPOLD	15	✓		*	#4	#6			
LESTER	15	✓		*					
LIONS-JU	15	✓		*	#2	#3, 11	✓		
LOWENSTEIN	15	✓	✓	*	#1, 7	#3, 6, 11	✓		
LYMAN	15	✓		*	#3	#1, 2, 5	✓		
LYON-D&A	16	✓	✓	*	#4	#3, 6	✓		
MACIAG	16	✓		*	#7	#2, 5			
MAY	16	✓		*	#4	#5, 11			
MCHUGH	16	✓		*	#4	#2, 6			
MURRAY	16	✓		*	#4	#5, 6, 7		✓	Child care info: On separate piece of paper, provide current/future day care provider's name, address, phone numbers, number of hours child(ren) are in day care each week, and the total cost of child care per week. Also include the name and age of each child attending day care.
NASW-VT	16	✓		*	#2	#2, 3, 5	✓		
NORDIC	17	✓		*	#1, 4	#6, 7, 11	✓		
NRGREFUG	17	✓		*	#4	#5			
NWCLUB	17	✓		*		#3, 5, 6			
NWVTACCT	17	✓		*	#4	#2, 6	✓		Resumé: Supply a complete original resumé that includes (at minimum) education history, work history, and any special awards or honors received.
ORANGECTY	17	✓		*	#4	#5			
PATNO	17	✓		*		#5, 7			
PIZZAGALLI	18	✓	✓	*	#7	#1, 5, 11	✓		
POSTER	18	✓							Posters: Submit up to three individual poster designs; applicant's name, Social Security number, and poster title must be printed on the back of each poster submitted.
REARDON	18	✓		*	#4	#2, 6			Please note: Applicants are encouraged to submit two Attachments C #4 (recommendation letters) from separate individuals.

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REDHAWK	18	✓		*	#4	#3, 5	✓		
REHABGYM	19	✓		*		#5, 11			
ROTARY-CS	19	✓		*	#2, 4	#1, 3	✓		
ROTARY-WD	19	✓		*	#2	#3, 5	✓		
SAMARA	19	✓			#5	#8, 11			
SAVAGE	19	✓		*	#2, 4	#2, 3			
SHANKS	19	✓			#7	#2, 6	✓		
STAFFORD	19	✓		*	#7	#2, 3			
STONYFIELD	20	✓		*	#4	#6			Certification: Provide signed statement from the St. Albans Cooperative Creamery, certifying that the applicant is a member or employee OR is a spouse or dependent child of a member or employee of the St. Albans Cooperative Creamery.
SWITZER	20	✓		*	#4	#2, 5			
TAIGH	20	✓		*	#1, 4	#2, 5			
THV	20	✓		*	#4	#1, 5, 7			
TRINITY	20	✓		*	#2	#3, 5	✓		
UPPERVALLY	20	✓		*	#4	#3, 5			
VAAE	21	✓	✓	*	#3, 7	#1, 2	✓		Visual arts portfolio of artwork, not to exceed 20 pieces; OR Performance arts portfolio: Three contrasting performances, not to exceed 20 minutes in length, on audiocassette, videotape, CD, and/or slides. Portfolio should show contrasting elements (dynamics, fast/slow, repertoire, etc.). Each piece submitted must be clearly marked with applicant's full name and Social Security number.
VETCLUB	21	✓	✓	*	#7	#5, 11	✓		
VFWLUDLOW	21	✓		*	#4	#5, 6			
VPA-EB	21	✓		*		#2, 5, 6			
VPA-GG&RW	21	✓		*		#2, 5, 6			Membership card: Submit a copy of your parent's membership card from the Vermont Police Association.
VPA-HF	21	✓		*		#2, 5, 6			Membership card: Submit a copy of your parent's membership card from the Vermont Police Association.
VPA-RM	22	✓		*		#2, 5, 6			
VSG-AG	22	✓	✓	*	#2	#2, 3, 6	✓		
VSG-CHAG	22	✓		*		#2, 6, 11	✓		
VSG-CHED	22	✓		*		#2, 6, 11	✓		
VSG-COSS	22	✓		*	#2	#2, 3, 6	✓		

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VSG-EAF	22	✓		*		#2, 6, 11	✓		Membership info: Submit certification from a subordinate grange secretary that applicant or applicant's parent(s) are members of a Vermont subordinate grange; certification must be stamped with grange seal.
VSG-GIBB	23	✓		*		#2, 6, 11	✓		Membership info: Submit certification from a subordinate grange secretary that applicant or applicant's parent(s) are members of a Vermont subordinate grange; certification must be stamped with grange seal.
VSG-VT	23	✓		*		#2, 6, 11	✓		Membership info: Submit certification from a subordinate grange secretary that applicant or applicant's parent(s) are members of a Vermont subordinate grange; certification must be stamped with grange seal.
VTDAIRY	23	✓			#2, 4	#2, 3	✓		
VTDAR	23	✓	✓	*	#6	#9, 11	✓		
VTDENTAL	23	✓		*	#4	#2, 6, 11	✓		
VTDENTIST	24	✓			#7	#2, 6	✓		Resumé: Supply a complete, original resumé that includes (at minimum) education history, work history, and any special awards or honors received. For this scholarship, resumé MUST include evidence of previous residency in Vermont (e.g., address history, voting locations, or driver's license).
VTDENTLHYG	24	✓		*	#4	#2, 6			
VTFEEDDEAL	24	✓			#4	#2, 6, 11			
VTHAND	24	✓		*	#4	#1, 2, 6	✓		Portfolio: Combination of slides and photographs, not to exceed 20 pieces; each piece must be clearly labeled with applicant's full name and Social Security number. Three photographs: If portfolio is in a format other than photographs, submit three photographs representative of your portfolio. (Please note that Vermont Hand Crafters will retain your photos if you receive this award.)
VTHHRAS	24	✓		*	#4	#2, 6			Resumé: Supply a complete original resumé that includes (at minimum) education history, work history, and any special awards or honors received.
VTLAKEPOND	25	✓		*	#2, 4	#2, 3	✓		
VTMENTOR	25	✓		*	#4	#6, 11	✓		Certification: Provide signed statement from an authorized official of the recognized Mobius mentoring program in which you participated, indicating the name and location of the program, the name of your mentor(s), and the date you started and ended (if applicable) your participation.
VTNH-DMG	25	✓		*	#4	#2, 11	✓		
VTNURSING	25	✓		*	#4	#2, 6			

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VTPARLGL	25	✓		*		#2, 5, 6	✓		
VTSHERRIFF	25	✓		*		#2, 5, 6	✓		
VTTEACH	26	✓		*	#4, 8	#1, 2, 10			
WEINBERG	26	✓		*		#3, 11	✓		Vermont rescue squad/fire department info: Submit certification from chief of service indicating name of service, dates served, and confirmation of volunteer status of parent(s).
WILLIST-EL	26	✓		*		#1, 2, 6	✓		Resumé: Supply a complete original resumé that includes (at minimum) education history, work history, and any special awards or honors received; submit ONLY if official transcript is unavailable.
ZABROSKY	26	✓		*	#2, 4	#3, 11	✓		Resumé: Supply a complete original resumé that includes (at minimum) education history, work history, and any special awards or honors received.



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2009–2010 Unified Scholarship Application (USA) for VSAC-assisted scholarships

This form is required for every VSAC-assisted scholarship. It must be completed in full by the applicant to be considered by scholarship committee(s). Do not leave any section blank.

SECTION I: APPLICANT

Permanent mailing address (<i>maximum two lines</i>)	City	State	Zip (+4 digit ext)
Phone number	E-mail address		
Date of birth (<i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>)	Gender <input type="checkbox"/> female (F) <input type="checkbox"/> male (M)		
Current status (<i>please check one</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> single (SI) <input type="checkbox"/> separated (SE) <input type="checkbox"/> married (MA) <input type="checkbox"/> widowed (WI) <input type="checkbox"/> divorced (DI) <input type="checkbox"/> civil union partnership (CU)	Citizenship (<i>please check one</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> I am a U.S. citizen. (CI) <input type="checkbox"/> I am a national. (NA) <input type="checkbox"/> I am a permanent resident of the United States. (PR)		

SECTION II: SCHOLARSHIPS

List the VSAC ID of each VSAC-assisted scholarship for which you meet ALL eligibility requirements.

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SECTION III: RESIDENCY

Are you a Vermont resident? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	Date you became a Vermont resident (<i>i.e., you have lived in Vermont since what mm/dd/yyyy?</i>)
Vermont town of legal residence	Number of years resident in town

SECTION IV: HIGH SCHOOL

Name of high school from which you have graduated or will graduate	Date of graduation (or expected graduation) from high school (<i>mm/yyyy</i>)
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SECTION V: POSTSECONDARY SCHOOL (ACADEMIC YEAR 2009–2010)

Name of the postsecondary school you are most likely to attend during academic year 2009–2010																
City and state where this postsecondary school is located	Date you expect to graduate from this postsecondary school (mm/yyyy)															
<p>Select the specific program or degree you are currently pursuing during academic year 2009–2010 (<i>please check one</i>):</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> certificate program (CP)</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> bachelor of fine arts (BFA)</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> master’s degree (MAS)</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> associate’s in applied science (AAS)</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> bachelor of science (BS)</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> medical doctor (MD)</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> associate’s in arts (AA)</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> doctor of veterinary medicine (DVM)</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> non-degree program (ND)</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> associate’s in science (AS)</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> juris doctor (JD)</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> registered nursing (RN)</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> bachelor of arts (BA)</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> licensed practical nursing (LPN)</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>		<input type="checkbox"/> certificate program (CP)	<input type="checkbox"/> bachelor of fine arts (BFA)	<input type="checkbox"/> master’s degree (MAS)	<input type="checkbox"/> associate’s in applied science (AAS)	<input type="checkbox"/> bachelor of science (BS)	<input type="checkbox"/> medical doctor (MD)	<input type="checkbox"/> associate’s in arts (AA)	<input type="checkbox"/> doctor of veterinary medicine (DVM)	<input type="checkbox"/> non-degree program (ND)	<input type="checkbox"/> associate’s in science (AS)	<input type="checkbox"/> juris doctor (JD)	<input type="checkbox"/> registered nursing (RN)	<input type="checkbox"/> bachelor of arts (BA)	<input type="checkbox"/> licensed practical nursing (LPN)	
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<input type="checkbox"/> bachelor of arts (BA)	<input type="checkbox"/> licensed practical nursing (LPN)															
What specific major or field of study are you currently pursuing during academic year 2009–2010?																
<p>Select the year in postsecondary school in which you expect to be enrolled during academic year 2009–2010 (<i>please check one</i>):</p> <input type="checkbox"/> first-year (FR) <input type="checkbox"/> sophomore (SO) <input type="checkbox"/> junior (JU) <input type="checkbox"/> senior (SE) <input type="checkbox"/> graduate (GR) <input type="checkbox"/> other (OT)	<p>Select your anticipated enrollment status during academic year 2009–2010 (<i>please check one</i>):</p> <input type="checkbox"/> full time (generally 12+ credits per term) (FT) <input type="checkbox"/> three-quarter time (generally 9–11 credits per term) (TQ) <input type="checkbox"/> half time (generally 6–8 credits per term) (HT) <input type="checkbox"/> quarter time (generally 3–5 credits per term) (QT) <input type="checkbox"/> not enrolled (NE)															

SECTION VI: CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE

<p>By signing this application, I certify the accuracy of this completed form and all accompanying Attachments A-E (where applicable) and other documents submitted with it, and, if requested, agree to provide proof of this information. I also give permission to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation (VSAC) to request and use data from my Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), as well as data and materials from this application, to determine my eligibility for VSAC scholarships.</p> <p>I authorize VSAC to share the financial information and other information in this application, and any attachments and related documents, with VSAC scholarship processing and review staff, donors, selection committees, scholarship boards, and others for identifying students, determining eligibility, and selecting and notifying awardees. I also authorize VSAC to obtain pertinent eligibility and related information about me from any of these individuals or organizations. I give VSAC permission to share my letters of recommendation and essays with donors who may, in turn, share the content of materials with their family members, boards, or membership.</p> <p>I understand that if I receive an award, someone from the scholarship committee may contact me about the award. I also understand that because of variations in investment returns, any award I receive may vary, up or down, from the amount published in VSAC’s scholarship booklet, or no award may be available.</p> <p>If selected to receive a scholarship, I give permission for a publicity release. Under the Privacy Act of 1974, I understand I am not required to provide my Social Security number; however, if I don’t provide it, I will not be considered for VSAC scholarships.</p> <p>I also agree promptly to refund and repay to VSAC any portion of funds awarded to me that VSAC determines to have been based upon incorrect information contained on or submitted in connection with this application.</p> <p>VSAC cannot guarantee applicants will receive scholarships. Further, by signing this form, I agree to hold harmless, defend, and indemnify VSAC as well as its charitable affiliate, The Vermont Scholarship Fund, its employees, agents, and volunteers for any acts, failures to act, or omissions.</p>	
<i>Applicant’s signature</i>	<i>Date</i>

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2009–2010 Attachment A: Academic certification (Att A)

Please refer to the required documents chart (pages 28–33) to determine whether this form is a required document for one or more of the scholarships for which you are applying. A high school or home school official must complete this attachment in full.

NOTE TO HIGH SCHOOL OR HOME SCHOOL OFFICIAL:

- Your signature certifies that the academic information submitted on this attachment is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge.
- Please include an official high school transcript with this attachment.
- When supplying ACT or SAT scores, please remember to enter the best composite score from ONE test; do not combine scores from more than one test.
- Please note: This information is kept strictly confidential and is used only to compare applicants' academic records. If you do not provide this information in FULL, the applicant may not be considered for one or more scholarships.

High school or home school official's name	High school or home school official's title
High school or home school name	High school or home school phone number
High school or home school official's signature	Date of signature

Rank in graduating class (provide either exact rank and total # of students or decile)		Rank in class accurate as of (date)
Cumulative grade point average (GPA)	Scale used to compute grade point average (4.0, 4.33, 5.0, 6.0, 10.0, 100, etc.)	Grade point average accurate as of (date)
SAT: Critical Reading	SAT: Writing	SAT: Math
ACT: Composite		

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2009–2010 Attachment B: Financial information (Att B)

Please refer to the required documents chart (pages 28–33) to determine whether this form is a required document for one or more of the scholarships for which you are applying. Applicant must complete the column that applies to him/her in full (ONLY if he/she has not applied to VSAC for a Vermont grant and filed a FAFSA).

DESCRIPTION	APPLICANT (Complete this column ONLY if you are an independent, single, self-supporting student.)	APPLICANT & SPOUSE (Complete this column ONLY if you are married or have a civil union partnership; spouse signature required.)	APPLICANT'S PARENTS (Complete this column ONLY if you are a dependent student for financial aid purposes. If parents are divorced, provide custodial parent's information only; parent signature required.)
1. How many people are in the household?			
2. Of the number listed in #1, how many will be college students between July 1, 2009, and June 30, 2010			
3. State of legal residence		Applicant only:	Mother: Father:
4. Age		Applicant only:	Mother: Father:
5. Total adjusted gross income from 2008 federal income tax return	\$	\$	\$
6. Total income tax paid from 2008 federal income tax return	\$	\$	\$
7. Earned income credit from 2008 federal income tax return	\$	\$	\$
8. Total 2008 untaxed income (include payments to tax-deferred pension and savings plans, child support received, welfare benefits, Social Security, etc.)	\$	\$	\$
9. Wages, salaries, and tips from 2008 federal income tax return	\$	Applicant: \$ Spouse: \$	Mother: \$ Father: \$
10. Projected 2009 annual income	\$	\$	\$
11. List the yearly amount of child support PAID in 2008 for all children	\$	\$	\$

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DESCRIPTION	APPLICANT (Complete this column ONLY if you are an independent, single, self-supporting student.)	APPLICANT & SPOUSE (Complete this column ONLY if you are married or have a civil union partnership; spouse signature required.)	APPLICANT'S PARENTS (Complete this column ONLY if you are a dependent student for financial aid purposes. If parents are divorced, provide custodial parent's information only; parent signature required.)
12. Current savings, checking account, and cash on hand	\$	\$	\$
13. Present resale (not assessed) value of home	\$	\$	\$
14. Present unpaid home mortgage(s) (list principal only — do not include interest)	\$	\$	\$
15. Present resale value of other real estate (exclude home, farm, and/or family-owned business)	\$	\$	\$
16. Outstanding debts of other real estate (exclude home, farm, and/or family-owned business)	\$	\$	\$
17. Present value of investments (include stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit, trusts, other securities; exclude IRAs, life insurance, other qualified pension plans)	\$	\$	\$
18. Outstanding debts on investments listed above	\$	\$	\$
19. Present resale value of farm (exclude home)	\$	\$	\$
20. Outstanding debts of farm (exclude home)	\$	\$	\$
21. Present resale value of family-owned business	\$	\$	\$
22. Outstanding debts of family-owned business	\$	\$	\$

Each undersigned spouse and/or parent certifies that all financial and tax information contained on or submitted in connection with this form is correct and complete to the best of her/his knowledge. The information will be held in strict confidence, but VSAC may share it with anyone considering the applicant for school financial assistance.

<i>Spouse signature (if applicable)</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Parent signature (if applicable)</i>	<i>Date</i>

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2009–2010 Attachment C: Recommendation letters (Att C)

Please refer to the required documents chart (pages 28–33) to determine which (if any) of the following recommendation letters are required for one or more of the scholarships for which you are applying. Each recommendation letter must be written by an individual designated by the applicant and be labeled in accordance with the boxed instructions provided below.

LTR #	LETTER NAME	DESCRIPTION
1	BUSINESS/COMMUNITY/EMPLOYER	Letter must be from a <i>business, community organization, or employer (previous or current)</i> and must address applicant's: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • business/community involvement • potential for success • character/leadership • education/work ethic • commitment to chosen field of study/career, or • entrepreneurial endeavors and/or achievements
2	COMMUNITY SERVICE	Letter must be from a <i>community service organization</i> and must address applicant's commitment to the community.
3	VISUAL/PERFORMING ARTS	Letter must be from a <i>visual or performing arts (music, visual arts, dance, theatre) instructor, director, or organization</i> and must address applicant's: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • visual/performing arts activities • talent/potential, and/or • honors/achievements
4	NON-RELATIVE — GENERAL	Letter must be from <i>someone who is NOT related to the applicant</i> and must address applicant's: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • character/initiative/leadership • education/work ethic • talent/potential for success, and/or • commitment to chosen field of study/career
5	NON-RELATIVE — SAMARA	Letter must be from <i>someone who is NOT related to the applicant</i> and must address applicant's dedication to the interests of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and questioning community.
6	NON-RELATIVE — VTDAR	Letter must be from <i>someone who is NOT related to the applicant</i> and must address applicant's dependability, community service, leadership, religious awareness, and/or patriotism.
7	SCHOOL — GENERAL	Letter must be from a <i>school official (e.g., teacher, professor, principal, academic dean, guidance director, school counselor, academic advisor)</i> and must address applicant's: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • academic achievement and potential for continued success • school/community involvement • character/initiative/leadership • education/work ethic • commitment to chosen field of study/career and/or • entrepreneurial endeavors/achievements
8	SCHOOL — VTTEACH	Letter must be from a <i>school family and consumer sciences teacher</i> and must address applicant's: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • academic achievement • character/leadership and/or • commitment to chosen field of study/career

Is the correct information on EVERY recommendation letter?

Each letter must be labeled with:

- letter number
- letter name
- applicant's name
- applicant's date of birth

If any of this information is missing on a letter, the VSAC Scholarships Program may be unable to determine which letter it is or that it belongs with your application. Your application will therefore be considered incomplete and may not be considered, even though you may have submitted all required documents.



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2009–2010 Attachment E: Essays (Att E)

Please refer to the required documents chart (pages 28–33) to determine which (if any) of the following essays are required for one or more of the scholarships for which you are applying. Each essay must be written by the applicant, submitted on a separate piece of paper, and labeled in accordance with the boxed instructions provided below.

ESSAY #	ESSAY NAME	DESCRIPTION
1	ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS (minimum 100 words)	Describe all school, church, and community activities in which you have participated. Include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • extracurricular activities (sports, band, choir, clubs, etc.) • groups and performances in which you have been involved • honors, achievements, and awards you have received
2	COMMITMENT (minimum 100 words)	Describe your interest in and commitment to pursuing your chosen career or vocation. Include one or more experiences that confirmed your decision to pursue your chosen career or vocation.
3	COMMUNITY SERVICE (minimum 250 words)	Describe your beliefs related to the value of community service. Include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • community service activities in which you have participated • the impact that participation in community service has had on your life • the impact your parents' and/or family members' community service has had on your life
4	ENTREPRENEURIAL (minimum 100 words)	Describe how you have developed your entrepreneurial skills. Include examples of your entrepreneurial endeavors and achievements.
5	FAMILY/FINANCIAL (minimum 100 words)	Describe any significant barriers that limit your access to education. Include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • what it means to you and your family to be among the first generation in your family to attend postsecondary school (if applicable to you) • additional family/financial information that you feel should be considered by the scholarship committee
6	GOALS (minimum 250 words)	Describe your short- and long-term academic, education, career, vocational, and/or employment goals. Include ways in which your short- and long-term goals relate to Vermont (if applicable).
7	PROGRAM/EMPLOYMENT (minimum 100 words)	Describe how the program in which you will be enrolled will enhance your career or vocation; explain how furthering your education will upgrade your employment skills.
8	SCHOLARSHIP OBJECTIVE — SAMARA (minimum 100 words)	Describe how your interests and activities relate to the Samara Foundation of Vermont scholarship objective: "To demonstrate, through significant personal growth, public commitment, and activism, a dedication to the interests of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and questioning community."
9	SCHOLARSHIP OBJECTIVE — VTDAR (minimum 100 words)	Describe how your interests and activities relate to the Vermont DAR scholarship objective: "To promote dependability, community service, leadership, religious awareness, and patriotism."
10	SCHOLARSHIP OBJECTIVE — VTTEACH (minimum 100 words)	Describe your goals and values for family and consumer sciences in the 21st century.
11	UNIQUENESS (minimum 100 words)	Describe what you believe distinguishes your application from others that may be submitted. Include experiences that have contributed to your personal growth.

Is the correct information on EVERY essay?

Each essay must be labeled with:

- essay number
- essay name
- applicant's name
- applicant's Social Security number

If any of this information is missing on an essay, the VSAC Scholarships Program may be unable to determine which essay it is or that it belongs with your application. Your application will therefore be considered incomplete and may not be considered, even though you may have submitted all required documents.

Instructions for other scholarships (those not administered by VSAC)

This is the date by which all required documents must be **received** for each scholarship. *Please note: These dates are different from the March 1 postmark deadline for the VSAC-assisted scholarships.*



DELIVERY DEADLINE

Student	Program	Enrollment	Duration
Adult students only	Cert/Undergrad	Full time	1 year
Current college students only	Degree	1/4 time	2 years
Graduate students only	Undergrad	Any enrollment	4 years
High school students only	Undgrd/Grad		
High school or college students	Any program		
Any student may apply			

STUDENT indicates what type of student is eligible to apply.

Adult students* only: Applicant must be an independent student who:

- is 24 years or older; or
- is married or in a civil union; or
- is a veteran of the U.S. armed forces; or
- is currently serving on active duty in the U.S. armed forces for purposes other than training; or
- is an orphan or ward of the court; or
- has children and is providing more than half of the children's support

Current college students only: Applicant must be a student already enrolled in and attending postsecondary school.

Graduate students only: Applicant must have already obtained a four-year, undergraduate degree and be enrolled in graduate or professional-level coursework.

High school students only: Applicant must be a high school senior who will have earned either a high school diploma or GED by the start of the upcoming school year.

High school or college students: Applicant may be a high school senior who will have earned either a high school diploma or GED by the start of the upcoming school year, OR be a student already enrolled in and attending postsecondary school.

Any student may apply: There are no requirements as to the type of student who may apply.

* Definitions and guidelines for independent/adult students may change for 2009–2010. Please call VSAC if you are unsure of your independent/adult status.

PROGRAM indicates the type of college or training program in which you must be enrolled in order to be eligible to apply.

Cert/Undergrad: Applicant must be enrolled in a certificate program OR an undergraduate associate's or bachelor's degree program.

Degree: Applicant must be enrolled in a degree program (undergraduate, graduate, or professional).

Undergrad: Applicant must be enrolled in an undergraduate associate's or bachelor's degree program.

Undgrd/Grad: Applicant must be enrolled in either an undergraduate associate's or bachelor's degree program OR a graduate or professional degree program.

Any program: There are no requirements as to the type of program in which you enroll.

ENROLLMENT indicates the minimum enrollment required for you to be eligible to apply.

Full time: Applicant must be enrolled at least full time (minimum 12 credits per term).

1/4 time: Applicant must be enrolled at least quarter time (minimum 3 credits per term).

Any enrollment: There are no requirements as to the number of credits you take.

DURATION indicates whether the scholarship is for one year only or may be renewed for two, three, or four years

1 year: Recipient will receive this scholarship for one year only.

2 years: Recipient will receive this scholarship for the first year and will have an opportunity to renew it for a second year.

4 years: Recipient will receive this scholarship for the first year and will have an opportunity to renew it for a second, third, and fourth year.

JUNE 30

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Army ROTC Vermont Alumni Scholarship Fund**Eligibility:**

- Be enrolled in ROTC or be willing to enroll and demonstrate a strong desire to complete ROTC
- Be commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army, Army Reserve, or National Guard
- Have minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Up to \$3,000 per year**Selection:** Grade point average, brief autobiographical sketch, recommendation letters, and personal interview (if necessary)**Required documents:**

- Official transcript
- Brief autobiographical sketch
- Two recommendation letters

Application:

Send letter of request and required documents to:

Department of Military Studies
University of Vermont
601 Main Street
Burlington, VT 05405

Phone: 802-656-1027**E-mail:** goldbar@uvm.edu**Average applicants:** 2**Average awards:** 2

APRIL 15

High school students only | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Arnold Magoon Conservation Scholarship
(sponsored by the NESHOBE Sportsman Club, Inc.)

This scholarship was established to help individuals learn about and improve the sports of hunting and fishing, as well as wildlife and our natural habitat.

Eligibility: Major in forestry, conservation, ecology, fish and game management, biology, or a related field (*preference given to applicants who attend a school located in Vermont*)**Amount:** Minimum one \$1,000 scholarship**Selection:** Field of study and financial need**Required documents:**

- Arnold Magoon Conservation Scholarship application
- Recommendation letter from teacher, principal, or school counselor

Application:

Obtain application from:

- www.neshobesportsmanclub.org
- High school guidance office
- NESHOBE Sportsman Club, Inc.
Scholarship Committee
PO Box 321
Brandon, VT 05733

Average applicants: 12**Average awards:** 1–2

APRIL 10

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Associated General Contractors of Vermont Scholarship

This scholarship was created to encourage and enable individuals to pursue a career in the construction industry.

Eligibility:

- Seek education or training in a field related to construction
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Three \$1,000 scholarships**Selection:** Essay, recommendation letters, and financial need**Required documents:**

- Essay explaining why you deserve this award and describing your future intentions in the construction industry
- Two letters of recommendation
- Explanation of financial need

Application:

Send required documents to:

Associated General Contractors of Vermont
ATTN: Beth Hulbert
148 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05602

Phone: 802-223-2374**Average applicants:** 30**Average awards:** 3

MAY 10

High school or college students | Degree | Full time | 4 years

Champlain Valley Kennel Club Scholarship

This scholarship was created to assist qualified students to pursue a degree in veterinary medicine or technology.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school located approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Have been a Vermont resident for a minimum of five years
- Seek a degree in veterinary medicine or technology
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Average of one \$250 scholarship**Selection:** Academic achievement, financial need, recommendation letter, and essays**Required documents:**

- Champlain Valley Kennel Club Scholarship application
- Two letters of recommendation
- Two essays
- Official transcript
- Federal income tax return
- Financial information form

Application:

Obtain application from:

Thomas A. Woodard, Sr., Scholarship Chair
Champlain Valley Kennel Club
PO Box 176
Jericho, VT 05465

Phone: 802-899-1182**E-mail:** pioneergoldens@comcast.net**Average applicants:** 20**Average awards:** 1

JULY 15**APRIL 15**

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Clif Murray and Floyd Fuller Memorial Scholarship
(sponsored by the Vermont Horse Council)

This scholarship was established to provide financial support to young people seeking either to obtain advanced training in equine studies or to enter occupations that directly support the horse industry.

Eligibility:

- Attend a postsecondary school that provides a quality education in equine studies or animal science
- Seek a degree or advanced training in equine or animal studies, or a field that directly supports the horse industry
- Not be a previous recipient

Amount: One \$400 scholarship**Selection:** Applicant's ability and aptitude for serious study, community service, leadership, financial need, and achievement with horses**Required documents:**

- Resumé that includes your name, address, and phone number; your parent(s) names, address(es), and phone number(s); schools attended, grades, and work experience (if applicable)
- Letter outlining your history of involvement with horses, community service and other activities, and future plans
- Two recommendation letters: one from an experienced horse person attesting to your interest in equine studies and your talents with horses, and one from a school official (school counselor, teacher, etc.) attesting to your ability and aptitude for serious study

Application:

Send required documents to:

Vermont Horse Council
ATTN: Lynn Beebe
6495 Route 12A
West Braintree, VT 05669

Phone: 802-728-9007**E-mail:** vthorseland@yahoo.com**Average applicants:** TBD**Average awards:** 4**MAY 1**

High school students only | Any program | Any enrollment | 4 years

E. Dante Bogni Scholarship

This scholarship was established to provide education funding to students who have demonstrated a commitment to the well-being and care of the elderly in their communities and have worked to ease the problems confronting this population.

Eligibility: Graduate from either Montpelier High School or Spaulding High School**Amount:** Up to eight scholarships per school. Awards vary according to need, but may be up to \$15,000 over the course of one to four years.**Selection:** Commitment to the well-being and care of the elderly, essays, and recommendation letter**Required documents:**

- Minimum 250-word essay detailing the service and/or care you have provided to the elderly and outlining your academic/career goals
- Recommendation letter addressing your commitment to the well-being and care of the elderly, your work ethic, and your character

Application:

Obtain application materials from:

- Montpelier High School guidance office
- Spaulding High School guidance office

Average applicants: 8**Average awards:** 4**Eyes to the Future Scholarship****Eligibility:**

- Be accepted at a two-year accredited ophthalmic dispensing program
- Intend to work in Vermont upon graduation
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$500 scholarship**Selection:** Academic excellence, financial need, initiative, and essay**Required documents:**

- Cover letter
- Minimum 200-word essay describing career and academic goals
- Copy of federal income tax return (applicant's, if student is independent; parents', if student is dependent)

Application:

Send required documents to:

Daniel M. Thomas
Opticians Association of Vermont
Scholarship Committee
168 Battery Street
Burlington, VT 05401

Average applicants: 2**Average awards:** 1**APRIL 1**

Any student may apply | Undrgrd/Grad | Full time | 1 year

Freeman Nurse Scholars Program

This scholarship program is funded by the Stowe-based Freeman Foundation to provide an incentive for excellent candidates to pursue a career in nursing and to practice in Vermont.

Eligibility:

- Attend one of **Vermont's five schools of nursing** (Castleton State College, Norwich University, Southern Vermont College, University of Vermont, or Vermont Technical College); in select situations, attendance at an out-of-state graduate program may be considered
- Enroll in an accredited nursing program (minimum 12 credits for undergraduate students; minimum six credits for graduate students)
- Agree to practice in Vermont for two years following graduation

Amount: associate's degree in nursing (ADN) students: \$7,500/year up to a maximum of \$15,000; bachelor of science in nursing (BSN) students: \$7,500/year up to a maximum of \$30,000; and graduate nursing students: \$17,000/year up to a maximum of \$34,000**Selection:** Scholars are selected by the Freeman Nurse Scholars Board according to (in order of importance): evidence of academic excellence/promise, commitment to nursing in Vermont, and community service/leadership**Required documents:**

- Applicants must be accepted at one of Vermont's five schools of nursing (see Eligibility). (If you have not been accepted at your school of choice by April 1, you may still apply, but must provide proof of acceptance prior to funding.)
- Freeman Nurse Scholars Program application

Application:

Obtain application from:

- www.freemannurse.org
- www.choosenursingvermont.org
- Any Vermont nursing program
- Freeman Nurse Scholars Program
Rowell 106, University of Vermont
Burlington, VT 05405

Phone: 802-656-5496**E-mail:** freemannurse@uvm.edu**Average applicants:** TBD**Average awards:** TBD

MARCH 15

Adult students only	Any program	Any enrollment	1 year
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General Federation of Women's Clubs of Vermont Scholarship for a Displaced Homemaker (Barbara Jean Barker Memorial Scholarship)

Eligibility:

- Primarily have been a homemaker for at least 15 years
- Have lost main means of support through death, divorce, separation, or longtime illness, OR unemployment of a spouse
- Plan to upgrade skills to enter the workforce outside the home

Amount: One or two scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$1,500

Selection: Application form and personal interview (finalists only)

Required documents: General Federation of Women's Clubs of Vermont Displaced Homemaker Scholarship application

Application:

Obtain application after February 1 from:

- Any local Federated Women's Club of Vermont
- Betty Haggerty
General Federation of Women's Clubs of Vermont
16 Taylor Street
Bellows Falls, VT 05101

Average applicants: 30

Average awards: 1–2

MAY 15

High school students only	Any program	Any enrollment	1 year
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Horace Greeley Scholarship

Abolitionist Horace Greeley was a newspaper giant and a candidate for President of the United States in 1872. The Vermont Legislature formally recognized Greeley by passing a resolution to honor him as a notable Vermonter and a voice of conscience to the American people.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Major in English, journalism, communications, political science, history, or a related field

Amount: Two \$250 scholarships

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, and community involvement

Required documents:

- Double-spaced essay (minimum two pages) on Horace Greeley's influence on American society
- Recommendation letter
- Official high school transcript
- College acceptance letter and academic major

Application:

Send required documents to:

James R. Hogan, Board of Directors
Horace Greeley Foundation
1014 Blissville Road
Poultney, VT 05764

Phone: 802-265-2206

Average applicants: TBD

Average awards: 2

APRIL 1

High school students only	Any program	Any enrollment	1 year
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International Right of Way Association New England Chapter 16 Scholarship

This scholarship was created to assist graduating high school seniors who plan to attend a postsecondary school and major in fields related to the right of way disciplines of appraisal, engineering, law, or negotiation.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a resident of Vermont, Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, or Rhode Island
- Have maintained a minimum B average throughout high school
- Have a realistic career goal
- Demonstrate financial need
- Major in business, economics, civil engineering, environmental engineering, law, communications, or international relations

Amount: Two to four scholarships ranging from \$300 to \$500

Selection: Recommendation letters, official high school transcript, and essay

Required documents:

- International Right of Way Association New England Chapter 16 Scholarship application
- Two recommendation letters (one from a school official and one from someone not affiliated with your school)
- Maximum 100-word essay describing plans for the future, reasons for choosing a particular field of study, and future goals/aspirations
- Official high school transcript

Application:

To obtain application, e-mail your request to the address below or send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

IRWA—New England Chapter 16
Norman Twaddel
Portland Water District
PO Box 3553
Portland, ME 04104-3553

E-mail: ntwaddel@pwd.org

Average applicants: 100

Average awards: 2–3

NOVEMBER 1

High school students only	Any program	Any enrollment	1 year
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Jon Borowicz Memorial Music Scholarship

Eligibility:

- Not be a previous winner of the competition
- Audition in November

Amount: One \$500 scholarship to be used to further music education, and the opportunity to play as soloist with the Vermont Philharmonic

Selection: Audition of three prepared pieces of the student's choice

Required documents: Jon Borowicz Memorial Music Scholarship application (requires teacher's signature)

Application:

Obtain application and detailed requirements of the competition from:

Marta Cambra
Coordinator of Music Scholarship
Vermont Philharmonic
1388 Crosstown Road
Berlin, VT 05602

Average applicants: 15

Average awards: 1

MAY 1

High school or college students | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Judith B. Gray/SSG Jamie A. Gray Memorial Scholarship
(sponsored by Vermont Municipal Highway Association Education Fund)**Eligibility:**

- Enroll in a civil engineering technology program at **Vermont Technical College** (*preference given to applicants considering future employment with a municipal highway department*)
- Enroll as either a college freshman or senior

Amount: Two \$500 scholarships to college freshmen, one \$1,000 scholarship to a college senior, and two \$500 scholarships to college seniors

Selection: Academic excellence (minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale) and community involvement

Required documents: Judith B. Gray/SSG Jamie A. Gray Memorial Scholarship application

Application: Obtain application from financial aid office at Vermont Technical College

Average applicants: 7

Average awards: 5

MARCH 1

Current college students only | Degree | 1/4 time | 1 year

Knights Templar Educational Foundation Scholastic Achievement Award
(sponsored by Vermont Division of Knights Templar)

The Grand Encampment launched the Knights Templar Educational Foundation in 1922 to provide educational advantages for American youth.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a U.S. citizen
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Amount: One or two scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$1,000

Selection: Academic achievement and education/work ethic

Required documents:

- Knights Templar Educational Foundation Scholastic Achievement Award application
- Official transcript
- Minimum one-page and maximum two-page essay on one of the following topics: (1) Why did you choose your major, and what do you hope to gain from it? OR (2) Why did you choose your postsecondary school, and what do you hope to gain by attending that particular school?

Application:

Obtain application from:

- <http://knightstemplar.org/gcvt/vt> (click on the highlighted "application")
- Grand Recorder's Office
49 East Road-Berlin
Barre, VT 05641-5390

Average applicants: 11

Average awards: 1–2

MARCH 1

Current college students only | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Mabel Mayforth Vermont Scholarship
(sponsored by Federated Garden Clubs of Vermont)**Eligibility:**

- Be a college junior, college senior, or graduate student (doctoral candidates are not eligible to apply)
- Major in horticulture, floriculture, landscape design, conservation, forestry, botany, agronomy, plant pathology, environmental studies, or biology, with a special interest in plants, ecology, and allied subjects

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship; Vermont residents are also invited to apply through the Federated Garden Clubs of Vermont for a \$3,500 scholarship offered by the National Garden Clubs, Inc.; request information and application from Jennifer Hanlon (see "Application" section below)

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, extracurricular activities, and letter from applicant

Required documents:

- Mabel Mayforth Vermont Scholarship application
- List of extracurricular activities from high school(s) and/or postsecondary school(s) attended
- Letter from applicant stating goals, background, financial need, and commitment to chosen field of study
- Official transcript from high school(s) and postsecondary school(s) attended
- Three recommendation letters, at least one of which must attest to academic achievement

Application:

Obtain application from:

- www.fsgc.org
- Jennifer Hanlon, Scholarship Chairperson
Federated Garden Clubs of Vermont
676 Arthur John Road
Island Pond, VT 05846

Phone: 802-723-4002

Average applicants: 4

Average awards: 1 (state) /
1 (national)

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High school students only | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Marie Crovat Scholarship

Eligibility: Be a resident of Addison County

Amount: Fifteen scholarships ranging from \$100 to \$1,000

Selection: Financial need and contributions to school

Required documents: Check with high school guidance office

Application: Obtain application from Addison County high school guidance offices

Average applicants: 25

Average awards: 15

Keep copies for your records.

Submit original forms and keep a copy of every document for your own records.

FEBRUARY 15

APRIL 1

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Marion T. Wood Scholarship**(sponsored by Vermont Association of Educational Office Professionals — VAEOP)****Eligibility:** Intend to enter an office-related profession, preferably in the field of education**Amount:** One \$1,000 scholarship**Selection:** Academic achievement, financial need, and initiative**Required documents:**

- Marion T. Wood Scholarship application
- Biographical information
- Essay
- Official transcript
- Three recommendation letters

Application:

To obtain application:

- Contact a high school guidance office
- Send a self-addressed, stamped, large envelope to:
Scholarships — VAEOP
ATTN: Dianne Jaquith
275 Chittenden Road
Chittenden, VT 05737

Average applicants: 15**Average awards:** 1

MAY 1

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

New England Dollars for Scholars: Vermont Chapters**Eligibility:**

- Graduate from one of the following Vermont high schools: Brattleboro Union High School, Canaan Memorial High School, Leland and Gray Union High School, Mount Anthony Union High School, Spaulding High School, Twinfield Union High School, or Winooski High School; OR
- Participate in the Upward Bound Program either at Lyndon State College, Johnson State College, or the University of Vermont

Amount: Scholarships range from \$100 to \$5,000; average award is \$1,000**Selection:** Financial need, academic achievement, school/community involvement, and/or community service**Required documents:**

- Application from local Dollars for Scholars chapter
- Official high school transcript
- Financial information such as a copy of the Student Aid Report (SAR) from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or a separate financial aid questionnaire (if applicable)

Application:

Obtain application from:

- Guidance office of participating high school
- Coordinator of Upward Bound Program in which you are participating
- Contact person in your local community; request name and phone number from:
David W. Duncan, Executive Director
New England Dollars for Scholars
51 Main Street
Stoneham, MA 02180

Toll-free: 800-335-4360**E-mail:** dduncan@scholarshipamerica.org**Average applicants:** 35**Average awards:** 20

Any student may apply | Undrgrd/Grad | Any enrollment | 1 year

New England Employee Benefits Council Scholarship**Eligibility:**

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a resident of New England or enrolled at a New England postsecondary school (active board members of the council, their spouses, and their children are ineligible to apply)
- Demonstrate interest in a career in employee benefits, human resources, or actuaries

Amount: Two maximum \$5,000 scholarships**Selection:** Academic achievement, interest in a career in employee benefits, human resources, or actuaries; and career, education, and employment goals**Required documents:**

- New England Employee Benefits Council Scholarship application
- Official postsecondary school transcript from each school attended
- Two or more recommendation letters from postsecondary school professors, NEEBC members, or other benefits professionals

Application:

Obtain application from:

- www.neebc.org
- New England Employee Benefits Council
240 Bear Hill Road, Suite 102
Waltham, MA 02451

Average applicants: 20**Average awards:** 2

NONE

Any student may apply | Undergrad | Full time | 1 year

P.E.O. Continuing Education Grant

These grants are for women whose education has been interrupted and who find it necessary to resume studies due to changing demands in their lives.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a female
- Have not attended postsecondary school for 24 consecutive months during adult life
- Be within 24 months of completing an undergraduate degree program
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Maximum \$2,000. Scholarship may be used for tuition, books, transportation, childcare, etc.**Selection:** Financial need**Required documents:**

- P.E.O. Continuing Education Grant application
- P.E.O. recommendation form (to be completed by a Vermont P.E.O. chapter)

Application:

For more information, contact:

Melitta Maddox
802-262-1019
mkmaddox@sover.net

Average applicants: TBD**Average awards:** TBD

NONE

Graduate students only	Grad/Profess	Full time	1 year
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P.E.O. Scholar Awards

These awards are one-time, competitive, merit-based awards for women who are either pursuing a doctoral-level degree or engaged in postgraduate study or research at an accredited college or university. Priority is given to women who are well established in their programs, study, or research.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a female
- Have at least one, but no more than two, academic years remaining from the date the scholarship is awarded (August 1) to complete graduate or professional degree program
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Maximum \$8,000**Selection:** Financial need, academic achievement, commitment to program, and clearly defined career objectives/goals.**Required documents:**

- P.E.O. Scholar Awards application
- P.E.O. Nomination Form (to be completed by a Vermont P.E.O. chapter)

Application:

In order to apply for this scholarship, the student must first be nominated by a Vermont Chapter of the P.E.O. For more information, contact:

Melitta Maddox
802-262-1019
mkmaddox@sover.net

Average applicants: TBD**Average awards:** TBD**MAY 1**

Any student may apply	Any program	Any enrollment	1 year
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Reach for the Stars Scholarship**(sponsored by the Vermont Principals' Association)**

This scholarship was established in memory of Ray Pellegrini, a Vermont educator for more than 30 years, to recognize Ray's commitment to and support for all Vermont students.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school located **within the state of Vermont** and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be among the first generation in your family to attend postsecondary school (neither parent has received a bachelor's degree)
- Plan to remain in Vermont upon graduation from postsecondary school (*preference will be given to students majoring in education*)

Amount: Minimum \$500 scholarship to be disbursed upon successful completion of the first year**Selection:** Recommendation letters, community involvement, and reference**Required documents:**

- Reach for the Stars Scholarship application
- Official high school transcript
- Recommendation letters
- Community reference

Application:

Obtain application at: www.vpaonline.org/pellegrini_scholarship.asp

Average applicants: TBD**Average awards:** 1**MARCH 1**

High school students only	Any program	Any enrollment	1 year
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Rebekah Assembly of Vermont I.O.O.F. Scholarship**Eligibility:**

- Be a graduating high school senior, OR
- Be a graduating high school senior who attends school in an adjacent state, and whose parent(s) are Vermont residents, OR
- Be a graduating high school senior who resides in an adjacent state, but who normally attends a Vermont high school

Amount: Two \$500 scholarships**Selection:** Financial need, academic achievement, recommendation letters, and extracurricular activities**Required documents:**

- Rebekah Assembly of Vermont I.O.O.F. Scholarship application
- Official transcript
- Two recommendation letters from school personnel
- List of extracurricular activities
- Statement of education plans
- Explanation of financial need

Application:

Obtain application by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

Mrs. Nora-Ellen Spaulding, Secretary
Rebekah Assembly of Vermont
786 Vermont Route 10
Chester, VT 05143

Average applicants: 40**Average awards:** 2**MARCH 1**

Any student may apply	Any program	Any enrollment	1 year
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Rebekah Assembly of Vermont Nursing Scholarship**Eligibility:**

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be accepted at or enrolled in an accredited school of nursing

Amount: One \$500 scholarship**Selection:** Financial need, previous academic/work experience, and recommendation letters**Required documents:**

- Rebekah Assembly of Vermont Nursing Scholarship application
- Official transcript
- Two recommendation letters (one from an educator and one from an employer)
- Statement of education plans
- Explanation of financial need

Application:

Obtain application by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

Mrs. Nora-Ellen Spaulding, Secretary
Rebekah Assembly of Vermont
786 Vermont Route 10
Chester, VT 05143

Average applicants: 6**Average awards:** 1

High school students only	Undrgrad	Any enrollment	1 year
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Roger J. Sheridan Memorial Scholarship (sponsored by Vermont Elks Association, Inc.)

This scholarship was established to honor the memory of Roger J. Sheridan, former coach at Saint Michael's High School in Montpelier, basketball and football official, and member and secretary of the International Association of Approved Basketball Officials.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in physical education
- Intend to work as a physical education teacher
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Two \$1,000 scholarships — one to a male applicant and one to a female applicant; Vermont residents are also invited to inquire about scholarships offered by Elks National Foundation; request information and application materials from your local Elks Lodge.

Selection: Commitment to chosen career/field of study, academic achievement, school/community involvement and/or service, and financial need

Required documents:

- Robert J. Sheridan Memorial Scholarship application
- Official signed transcript of high school grades
- Copy of college entrance test scores (SAT or ACT)
- Two current dated and signed one-page recommendation letters (one from a high school official and one from a coach or athletic director)
- Statement from parent(s) or guardian(s) summarizing the family's obligations and resources
- Essay from applicant stating his/her plans after graduation from post-secondary school

Application: Obtain application from a local Elks Lodge

Average applicants: TBD **Average awards:** 1 (male) / 1 (female)

High school students only	Undrgrad	Any enrollment	1 year
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Tom Fiske Memorial Foundation Scholarship

This scholarship was established in memory of Mr. Fiske to promote hunter safety, along with the safe use of and respect for our natural resources.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Seek a degree in forestry or an allied field (wildlife management, resource management, etc.)
- Demonstrate academic achievement

Amount: Two \$500 scholarships

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, and academic achievement

Required documents:

- Tom Fiske Memorial Foundation Scholarship application
- Official high school transcript
- Recommendation letter
- 500-word essay describing why you have chosen your field of study and outlining your career plans upon completion of your undergraduate degree

Application:

Obtain application from:

Brenda Wilk
c/o Tom Fiske Memorial Foundation, Inc.
4433 Firehill Road
Florence, VT 05744

Average applicants: 12

Average awards: 2

Deadlines are critical.

Submit all documents required for each particular scholarship BEFORE the deadline for that scholarship. ONE late document may mean a late application that is not considered by a scholarship committee.

DEADLINES VARY BY ACADEMY

NONE

Any student may apply	Any program	Any enrollment	1 year
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Any student may apply	Any program	Any enrollment	4 years
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UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMIES

- United States Air Force Academy (USAFA)**
- United States Naval Academy (USNA)**
- United States Military Academy at West Point (USMA)**
- United States Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA)**

Eligibility:

- Be a high school graduate
- For USAFA, USNA, and USMA, be a U.S. citizen between the ages of 17 and 22
- For USMMA, be a U.S. citizen between the ages of 17 and 25
- For USAFA, USNA, and USMA, not be married, pregnant, or have any dependents

Amount: Appointments to the academies cover tuition, room, and board; some academies provide a monthly salary to the cadets or midshipmen

Selection: Academic achievement, SAT or ACT scores, extracurricular activities, recommendation letters, physical and medical examinations, and interview

Required documents: Varies by academy

Application:

- Initiate a nomination by contacting a member of Vermont’s congressional delegation:
 Senator Patrick Leahy
 Senator Bernie Sanders
 Representative Peter Welch
 (The USAFA, USNA, and USMA also accept nominations from the Vice President or President of the United States.)
- AND initiate a file with the academy or academies of your choice in the spring of high school junior year (or as soon thereafter as possible):
 United States Air Force Academy (USAFA)
 USAFA, CO 80840-5025
 United States Naval Academy (USNA)
 117 Decatur Road
 Annapolis, MD 21402-5017
 United States Military Academy at West Point (USMA)
 West Point, NY 10996-1797
 United States Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA)
 Steamboat Road
 Kings Point, NY 11024-1699
 516-773-5391

Average applicants: N/A

Average awards: N/A

Vermont Air National Guard Montgomery G.I. Bill Chapter 1606

(administered and paid by the Veterans Administration)

Eligibility:

- Be a high school graduate or GED recipient
- Be a member of the Vermont Air National Guard with a six-year commitment
- Enroll in a VA-approved course of study or training program

Amount: Maximum of \$11,412 toward the total cost of postsecondary education; payments up to \$317 per month are made for up to 36 months (four nine-month school years) for full-time students; part-time students are paid based on the number of credit hours taken

Selection: Six-year service commitment and completion of basic and technical training

Required documents: N/A

Application:

Obtain additional information and details from:

- Vermont Air National Guard recruiter
800-242-4055
- Vermont Air National Guard retention office manager
802-660-5211

Average applicants: 470

Average awards: 470

NONE

Any student may apply	Any program	Any enrollment	4 years
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Vermont Air National Guard Montgomery G.I. Bill Kicker Program

(administered and paid by the Veterans Administration)

Eligibility:

- Meet eligibility criteria for the Montgomery G.I. Bill benefit
- Be a high school graduate or GED recipient
- Enroll in a VA-approved course of study or training program
- Enlist for six years in an incentive-eligible career field in the Vermont Air National Guard

Amount: Maximum of \$12,600 toward the total cost of postsecondary education; payments up to \$350 per month are made for up to 36 months (four nine-month school years) for full-time students; part-time students are paid based on the number of credit hours taken

Selection: Six-year service commitment and completion of basic and technical training

Required documents: N/A

Application:

Obtain additional information and details from:

- Vermont Air National Guard recruiter
800-242-4055
- Vermont Air National Guard retention office manager
802-660-5211

Average applicants: 300

Average awards: 300

NONE

Any student may apply

Any program

Any enrollment

1 year

Vermont Air National Guard Student Loan Repayment Program

Eligibility:

- Be a high school graduate or GED recipient
- Enlist or re-enlist for six years in an incentive-eligible career field in the Vermont Air National Guard
- Have or obtain qualifying student loan(s) that is:
 - a) backed by the Higher Education Act of 1965, in the member's name, and a year old on the anniversary date to qualify for repayment
 - b) in good standing (i.e., deferred, payments being made)
 - c) one year old by the time annual payment is due

Amount: Program provides up to \$20,000 in a lifetime; annual payment of 15 percent of the outstanding balance or \$500 per loan, whichever is greater, up to \$3,500 per member each year; the Department of Defense will make a payment directly to the lender for each year of service completed satisfactorily

Selection: Eligibility requirements met, six-year service commitment, completion of basic and technical training, and one year of satisfactory service completed

Required documents:

- Proof of existing loan(s) (promissory note)
- Original promissory notes, if loan is consolidated

Application:

Obtain additional information and details from:

- Vermont Air National Guard recruiter
800-242-4055
- Vermont Air National Guard retention office manager
802-660-5211

Average applicants: 206

Average awards: 206

Be sure to submit COMPLETE documents.

Check every document carefully to be sure it is completed in full, signed, and dated (if applicable).

One incomplete document may mean an incomplete application that is not considered by a scholarship committee.

JANUARY I (request rules)

High school students only

Any program

Any enrollment

1 year

Vermont American Legion Oratorical Award

The American Legion National High School Oratorical Contest was established to develop a deeper knowledge and appreciation of the Constitution of the United States. Other objectives include the development of leadership qualities, and the ability to think and speak clearly and intelligently; and the preparation for acceptance of the duties, responsibilities, rights, and privileges of American citizenship.

Eligibility:

- Be a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States
- Be a student under age 20 who is currently enrolled in a school in which the curriculum is considered to be high school level (grades 9–12) at the time of participation
- Participate in the American Legion Oratorical Contest

Amount: One \$2,000 award to the state champion; participants in the state championship are eligible to apply for an additional \$500 award, with four runners-up each receiving \$100

Selection: Prepared oration

Required documents:

- No documents are required
- Presentation of a prepared oration in the Vermont American Legion Oratorical Contest on some aspect or section of the Constitution of the United States that emphasizes the attendant duties and obligations of a citizen to the government

Application:

Contact:

- High school guidance office
- Local American Legion post
- The American Legion of Vermont
PO Box 396
Montpelier, VT 05601-0396

Average applicants: Varies

Average awards: 5 (state contest)

APRIL I

High school students only

Any program

Any enrollment

1 year

Vermont American Legion Scholarships

Eligibility:

- Be a graduating high school senior who attends school in Vermont or in an adjacent state, and whose parent(s) are Vermont residents; OR
- Be a graduating high school senior who resides in an adjacent state, but who normally attends a Vermont high school; AND
- Be accepted at an approved postsecondary school

Amount: One \$1,000 Charles N. Barber Scholarship, one \$1,500 Ray Greenwood Scholarship, and ten \$500 scholarships

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, activities, offices held, goals, and interview (finalists only)

Required documents:

- Vermont American Legion Scholarships application
- Official high school transcript, including a minimum of seven semesters
- Two recommendation letters

Application:

Obtain application from:

- High school guidance office
- Education and Scholarship Committee
The American Legion of Vermont
PO Box 396
Montpelier, VT 05601-0396

Average applicants: 500

Average awards: 12

NONE

Any student may apply	Any program	Any enrollment	4 years
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Vermont Army National Guard Montgomery Chapter 1606 G.I. Bill

(administered and paid by the Veterans Administration)

Eligibility:

- Be a high school graduate or GED recipient
- Have become a member of the Selected Reserve or National Guard since July 1, 1985, with a six-year commitment
- Enroll in a VA-approved course of study or training program

Amount: Payments up to \$317 per month are made for up to 36 months (four nine-month school years) for full-time students; part-time students are paid based on the number of credit hours taken

Selection: Six-year service commitment and completion of initial active duty training

Required documents: N/A

Application:

Obtain additional information and details from:

- Local Vermont Army National Guard recruiter
- Local Guard unit
- 802-338-3378

Average applicants: 400

Average awards: 400

NONE

Any student may apply	Any program	Any enrollment	1 year
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Vermont Army National Guard Student Loan Repayment Program

Eligibility:

- Be a high school graduate who has received a diploma
- Qualify for and enlist in the Vermont Army National Guard or extend existing enlistment by six years
- Have existing student loan(s) at time of enlistment
- Enlist in a designated skill or area of training

Amount: Program provides up to \$20,000 repaid against student loan(s) incurred under Parts B or E of the Higher Education Act of 1965; amount of each payment will be 15 percent of the original principal of all qualifying loans combined, and will be no less than \$500 and no more than \$3,000 during any entitlement year; the Department of Defense will make a payment directly to the lender for each year of service completed satisfactorily and will pay on principal only (not interest).

Selection: Eligibility requirements met

Required documents:

- Department of Defense Educational Loan Repayment Program annual application
- Proof of existing loan(s)

Application:

Obtain application from:

- Local Vermont Army National Guard recruiter
- 802-338-3346

Average applicants: 120

Average awards: 120

APRIL (contact VGA for specific date)

High school students only	Undrgrad	Any enrollment	1-2 years
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Vermont Grocers' Association (VGA) Scholarship

This scholarship was established to provide financial assistance to enable students to further their education at an accredited two- or four-year postsecondary school.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a Vermont resident OR be affiliated with a Vermont VGA member
- Demonstrate financial need (file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid no later than four weeks prior to scholarship deadline)
- Meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - a) be a dependent of a VGA associate or retail member store/company owner; OR
 - b) be a dependent of a VGA associate or retail member store/company employee located in or with primary responsibility for Vermont territory; OR
 - c) be an employee of a VGA retail member store/associate member company who: (1) is employed a minimum of 15 hours/week or 750 hours/year, and (2) has been employed at a VGA retail member store/company for a minimum of one year at time of application

Amount: Ten \$1,500 scholarships, one \$2,500 Ernest Hurst Memorial Award (\$1,500 for first year, \$1,000 for second year if recipient maintains 3.0 GPA), and one \$2,500 Donna Hogan Award (\$1,500 for first year, \$1,000 for second year if recipient maintains 3.0 GPA)

Selection: Academic achievement, extracurricular activities, recommendation letters, and financial need (considered for 8 of the 12 total awards)

Required documents:

- Vermont Grocers' Association Scholarship application
- Two recommendation letters (one from a teacher or school official and one from a current or previous employer)
- Official high school transcript
- Copy of Student Aid Report (SAR) from FAFSA
- Copy of financial aid award letter from postsecondary school

Application:

Obtain application from:

Vermont Grocers' Association (VGA)
135 North Main Street, Suite 5
Rutland, VT 05701-4167

Phone: 802-775-5460

Toll-free: 800-842-8503

Average applicants: 65

Average awards: 12

MARCH 1

High school or college students | Undergrad | Full time | 1 year

Vermont Space Grant Undergraduate Scholarship

The Vermont Space Grant Consortium is funded in part by a grant from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA) National Space Grant College and Fellowship Program to build a research infrastructure within the state, to encourage Vermont students to take more mathematics and sciences courses, and to promote careers in aerospace and other areas related to NASA goals.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school located **within the state of Vermont** and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a U.S. citizen
- Be a graduating high school senior attending a Vermont high school or be currently enrolled in a degree program
- Seek a professional career in subjects that have direct relevance to the United States aerospace industry and the goals of NASA, including, but not limited to, mathematics, physics, engineering, other basic sciences such as medicine and earth science, and education of these disciplines
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA)

Amount: Maximum 13 \$2,000 scholarships (three of which are designated for applicants of Native American descent) and three \$1,000 scholarships for the Aviation Technology Program

Selection: Academic achievement, recommendation letters, and initiative

Required documents:

- Vermont Space Grant Undergraduate Scholarship application
- Essay detailing career goals and their direct relevance to the United States' aerospace industry and the goals of NASA (not to exceed three, typed, double-spaced pages)

Application:

Obtain application from:

- www.cems.uvm.edu/VSGC
- Laurel Zeno, Vermont Space Grant Consortium
Votey Hall, University of Vermont
Burlington, VT 05405

Phone: 802-656-1429

E-mail: zeno@cems.uvm.edu

Average applicants: TBD

Average awards: 13

FEBRUARY 15

High school students only | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont State Council, Knights of Columbus Scholarship**Eligibility:**

- Be the son or daughter (paternal or legally adopted) of a member of the Knights of Columbus in good standing in a subordinate council of the Vermont jurisdiction, OR
- Be the son or daughter of a deceased member in good standing at the time of his death, OR
- Be a member of the Knights of Columbus or a member of a Columbian Squires Circle in the Vermont jurisdiction

Amount: Eight \$600 scholarships

Selection: Academic achievement; school, church, and community involvement; and financial need

Required documents:

- Vermont State Council, Knights of Columbus Scholarship application
- Official high school transcript
- Handwritten letter of goals
- Recommendation letters

Application:

Obtain application from:

- High school guidance offices
- Local Knights of Columbus council

Average applicants: 40

Average awards: 8

MID-MAY

Any student may apply | Any program | Any enrollment | 1 year

Vermont State Employees' Association (VSEA) Scholarship**Eligibility:**

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be either a VSEA member, a dependent of a VSEA member, or a spouse/domestic partner of a VSEA member
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One or more scholarships totaling \$3,000

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, recommendation letters, and additional documents submitted (if any)

Required documents:

- VSEA Scholarship application
- Official high school/postsecondary school transcripts
- Two recommendation letters attesting to applicant's level of achievement
- Copy of W-2 tax forms
- Additional documents (e.g., resumé, personal statement) may be submitted to provide an overview of applicant's academic/work record and/or ability

Application:

Obtain application from:

Jim Candon II, Chair
VSEA Awards/Scholarship Committee
c/o VSEA Headquarters
155 State Street, PO Box 518
Montpelier, VT 05601-0518

Phone: 802-747-4608

E-mail: jcandon@doc.state.vt.us

Average applicants: 40

Average awards: 6

Vermont Trappers Association Scholarship

This scholarship was created to further the goals of professional wildlife conservation and/or agricultural excellence.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Major in wildlife management, wildlife biology, forestry, agriculture, fish and game management, or a related field

Amount: Four \$500 scholarships

Selection: Acceptance at an accredited postsecondary school; interest in conservation of natural resources; and outdoor career, education, and employment goals

Required documents:

- Vermont Trappers Association Scholarship application
- Copy of acceptance letter from postsecondary school
- One recommendation letter (from a teacher or principal)

Application:

To obtain application, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

Kevin N. Lawrence, Scholarship Committee Chair
Vermont Trappers Association
5449 Main Street
Newbury, VT 05051

Phone: 802-866-5024

Average applicants: 20

Average awards: 4

Vermont Travel Industry Conference (VTIC) Scholarship

This scholarship was established to enable Vermont students to further their education in a tourism-related field.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school located **within the state of Vermont** and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans).
- Seek a degree in a field related to travel/tourism, including, but not limited to, hotel management, restaurant management, tourism, ski area management, recreation management
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)

Amount: One \$2,000 scholarship

Selection: Commitment to the travel/tourism field, recommendation letters, essays, and academic achievement

Required documents:

- Vermont Travel Industry Conference Scholarship application
- Two recommendation letters
- Resumé
- Official transcript
- List of paid work, volunteer experience, academic-credit work, or internship experiences in the tourism industry in which you have participated, and extracurricular activities in which you are involved
- Essay summarizing tourism-related projects or research you have completed, as well as memberships you hold in professional organizations
- Statement, 25 words or less, describing your future plans or aspirations in the tourism industry
- Double-spaced, typed, maximum two-page essay addressing the Vermont Travel Industry Conference theme; contact cindy@delaneymeetingevent.com for theme information

Application:

Obtain application from:

Vermont Travel Industry Conference
ATTN: Cindy Delaney
One Mill Street, Suite 301
Burlington, VT 05401

E-mail: cindy@delaneymeetingevent.com

Average applicants: 7

Average awards: 1

POSTMARKED BY APRIL 29

JULY 30

High school students only

Any program

Full time

1 year

Vermont Young Musician Award (sponsored by the MRVCC Scholarship Fund)

This award was established to encourage excellence in the arts among the younger generation. Selected applicants audition before a panel of judges at the Bundy Center for the Arts in Waitsfield, Vermont, on May 31, 2009. The panel chooses the six best applicants to appear at the final concert competition at the Bundy Center for the Arts in mid-August.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school located **within the state of Vermont** and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a vocalist or instrumentalist currently attending high school (grades 9–12)
- Demonstrate musical talent and the pursuit of excellence
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Amount: First prize, \$3,000; second prize, \$1,500; third prize, \$750; all others, \$300

Selection: Commitment to craft, versatility as a musician, achievement of awards and honors, and strong recommendations from knowledgeable experts in the field

Required materials:

- Vermont Young Musician Award application
- Personal letter from applicant explaining interest in music in general, and the competition in particular
- Recommendation letter from private instructor or other qualified person
- CD or DVD of a performance by the applicant
- Resumé, including a list of your musical repertoire and your musical activities/experiences

Application:

Obtain application from:

- www.bundycfa.org (click on “Arts at the Bundy”)
- Ruth Ann Pattee
The Bundy Center for the Arts
PO Box 158
Waitsfield, VT 05673

E-mail: rapattee@mac.com

Average applicants: 40

Average awards: 6

APRIL 1

Any student may apply

Cert/Undrgrad

Any enrollment

2–4 years

Windham Foundation Scholarship

Eligibility:

- Be a legal resident of Windham County
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: Approximately 100 scholarships averaging \$1,000 each

Selection: Financial need

Required documents:

- Windham Foundation Scholarship application
- Vermont grant application (submitted to VSAC)
- Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA, submitted to federal government)
- Official transcript from most recent high school or postsecondary school attended

Application:

Obtain application from:

Scholarship Committee
Windham Foundation
PO Box 70
Grafton, VT 05146

Average applicants: 350

Average awards: 100

Any student may apply

Degree

Any enrollment

1 year

Windsor County Farm Bureau Scholarship

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Be a resident of Windsor County
- Be a member of the Windsor County Farm Bureau (applicant or applicant's family)
- Seek a degree in a field related to agriculture
- Attend a school located in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, or Vermont

Amount: One or more scholarships totaling \$1,000

Selection: Academic achievement, community involvement, recommendation letters, and essay

Required documents:

- Windsor County Farm Bureau Scholarship application
- Official transcript from high school or postsecondary school
- Three recommendation letters attesting to your interest in agriculture or a related field
- Maximum 500-word essay describing your goals related to agriculture

Application:

Obtain application materials from:

- Windsor County high school guidance offices
- Marion Barr, Office Secretary
Windsor County Farm Bureau
Ascutney Basin Road, PO Box 295
Reading, VT 05062-0295

Average applicants: 4

Average awards: 1–2

MAY 1

Any student may apply

Undrgrad

Any enrollment

1 year

Woodland Owners Association, Inc., Memorial Scholarship

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Stafford loans, PLUS loans)
- Reside in Windham County
- Seek a degree in forestry or an allied field (e.g., wildlife management, resource management)
- Demonstrate financial need

Amount: One \$1,500 scholarship to a graduating high school senior, and one \$1,500 scholarship to a student currently enrolled in and attending postsecondary school

Selection: Financial need, character, motivation, and academic achievement

Required documents:

- Woodland Owners Association, Inc., Memorial Scholarship application
- Official high school transcript, including grades for the first seven semesters (required only if applicant is a graduating high school senior)
- Official transcript from each postsecondary school attended (required only if applicant is currently enrolled in and attending postsecondary school)

Application:

Obtain application from:

Woodland Owners Association, Inc.
11 University Way, Suite 4
Brattleboro, VT 05301

Average applicants: 8

Average awards: 2

Questions

Notes

To do

Checklist for success for VSAC-assisted scholarships

Apply to VSAC for a Vermont grant and complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Scholarships that list financial need in their eligibility and selection criteria require that the applicant either (1) apply to VSAC for a Vermont state grant and file a FAFSA **or** (2) complete and submit Attachment B: Financial Information (see pages 39–40 in this booklet).

Carefully review the scholarship descriptions.

VSAC-assisted scholarships on pages 6–26 are administered in part or in full by VSAC. To apply, use VSAC instructions (pages 2–3) and VSAC forms and attachments (pages 35–42).

Please note that the scholarships on pages 44–56 are administered by *other agencies or organizations*. To apply, follow the directions under the “Application” section for each scholarship. VSAC forms in this booklet cannot be used to apply for scholarships administered by agencies other than VSAC.

Complete and submit required documents before the March 1 postmark deadline.

Follow the instructions on pages 2–3 carefully. Applicants who attempt to apply for VSAC-assisted scholarships without following the instruction steps usually have difficulty understanding and/or completing the process successfully.

Check EACH DOCUMENT before you submit it to the VSAC Scholarships Program.

Make sure each document submitted to the VSAC Scholarships Program contains your name and Social Security number. Make sure each document is completed in full, signed, and dated (if applicable).

Check EACH RECOMMENDATION LETTER before you submit it to the VSAC Scholarships Program.

Make sure each recommendation letter contains the recommendation letter number and recommendation letter name, in addition to your name and date of birth.

Check EACH ESSAY before you submit it to the VSAC Scholarships Program.

Make sure each essay contains the essay number and essay name, in addition to your name and Social Security number.

Check the required documents chart carefully.

Make sure you submit all documents required for each VSAC-assisted scholarship for which you are applying. **Make sure that all required documents are postmarked on or before March 1.**

Submit original forms and documents to the VSAC Scholarships Program.

Remember to submit ONE original of any particular document (duplicates will be discarded). Once it is on file with the VSAC Scholarships Program, it will be available to any group that requires it.

Keep a photocopy of EVERY document you submit.

Call the VSAC Scholarships Program with ANY questions.

Contact us at 888-253-4819 (toll-free) or 654-3798 (in the Burlington area) — we’re happy to help!

Questions about scholarships?

- Contact VSAC.
- Visit the VSAC Resource Center.
- Contact your college or university.
- Contact your local high school, businesses, clubs, or town officials.
- Surf the Web.



VSAC Scholarships Program

10 East Allen Street, PO Box 2000

Winooski, VT 05404

Toll-free **888-253-4819**

In the Burlington area **654-3798**

Visit us online at www.vsac.org

E-mail us at info@vsac.org

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