

VIRGINIA eye foundation

Health Sciences Scholarship Fund

The Virginia Eye Foundation is a 501 (c) 3 tax exempt charity dedicated to the improvement of eye care and blindness in Virginia. VEF is an independent agency funding charitable interests dedicated to its focus upon the visual sciences. Clinical concerns including the provision of medical and surgical eye care to needy or uninsured individuals within the Hampton Roads region as well as the promotion of both clinical and laboratory research, and the training of individuals planning for or engaged in a career in the visual sciences.

The Virginia Eye Foundation Health Sciences Scholarship Fund has been established to further the mission of the organization and provide much needed scholarship dollars to deserving and eligible students within the Hampton Roads region who wish to pursue a career in the visual sciences at the collegiate level. This scholarship will be awarded each Spring to 2 high school seniors for college courses the following Fall semester. The award will be \$32,000 over the course of 4 years. (\$8,000 per year /\$4,000 per semester paid in August and January after revalidation of requirements per below). The details of the scholarship requirements and application process are below:

Minimum Qualification Requirements:

- *Strong desire to pursue a career in the Visual Sciences demonstrated through a written essay
- *GPA of 3.0 or higher with demonstrated academic excellence in the subject areas of math and science during the high school tenure
- *US Resident/Resident of the Hampton Roads region of Virginia
- *Acceptance as a full time student at an accredited college/university (minimum of 12 credit hours per semester)
- *Revalidation of full time student status in good standing during each semester the scholarship is renewed
- *Maintenance of GPA (collegiate level) of 3.0 or higher each semester the scholarship is renewed

Application Process:

- *Completed application and essay submitted to VEF Scholarship Selection Committee no later than Feb. 15 (See Attached)
- *Selection Committee will announce awards on or before April 1

The Board of Virginia Eye Foundation and the Selection Committee look forward to working with eager and motivated students! It is our pleasure to provide this opportunity to you!

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Health Sciences Scholarship Application

Name: _____

First Name

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Last Name

Date Of Birth: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Gender: Male: Female:

Citizenship: US Citizen: Hampton Roads VA Resident:

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

High School: _____

GPA: _____

Schools you have applied to/intend to attend this Fall:

Intended field of study: _____

Do you intend to become a full time student Yes No

List activities/clubs/public service or student government organizations you have been involved with during your high school tenure:

List special recognitions you have received during your high school tenure:

List any internship/externship experiences you have had during your high school tenure:

Who are the three most influential people in your life and why have they made such an impact on you?:

What do you hope to accomplish over the next 5-7 years?:

What drives you to pursue a career in the visual sciences?:

What do you feel are the most pressing issues facing the health care industry today?

What additional personal information do you wish to share with the VEF Scholarship Selection Committee?:

Signature

Date

Please return this application to:
VEF HS Scholarship Selection Committee
Attn: Mrs. Karen Spencer
241 Corporate Blvd.
Norfolk, VA 23502