

Virginia Western Educational Foundation Scholarships

How to Apply

VIRGINIA WESTERN
EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION, INC.

The Educational Foundation scholarship application has **3 parts**.

Part 1: General Application (Profile information)

Answer the questions, click “Save” or “Finish and Submit”.
The system will automatically take you to Part 2 of the application.

Part 2: General Scholarship Conditional Application

Complete this page, then click “Finish and Submit”.* You are automatically directed to Part 3 with any recommended opportunities for which you may be qualified to apply.

Part 3: Specific Recommended Apply-To Scholarship Opportunities

Click “Apply” for any of the specific recommended opportunities presented to you. You are required to answer one or more questions for the specific scholarship.
Remember to click “Finish and Submit” when done.

** There are some scholarships that the system will automatically match to an applicant when Parts 1 & 2 are completed. No additional questions to be answered.*

Information or documents to gather before beginning the scholarship application:

1. Your Virginia Western User Name and Password
2. Most recent **academic transcript** from a college or high school
3. **2019 Federal Tax Return** showing Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) and signature *or* either **2020-21 FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR)**
4. **Names and email addresses of 3 persons*** (not family or friends) to serve as references for you. If you are a current Virginia Western student, at least one reference must be a Virginia Western instructor.

**(Ask the person(s) BEFORE using their name as a reference on application.)*

To access the application, go to:

<https://viriniawestern.edu/foundation/scholarship/index.php>

Click on blue **Apply Now** button.

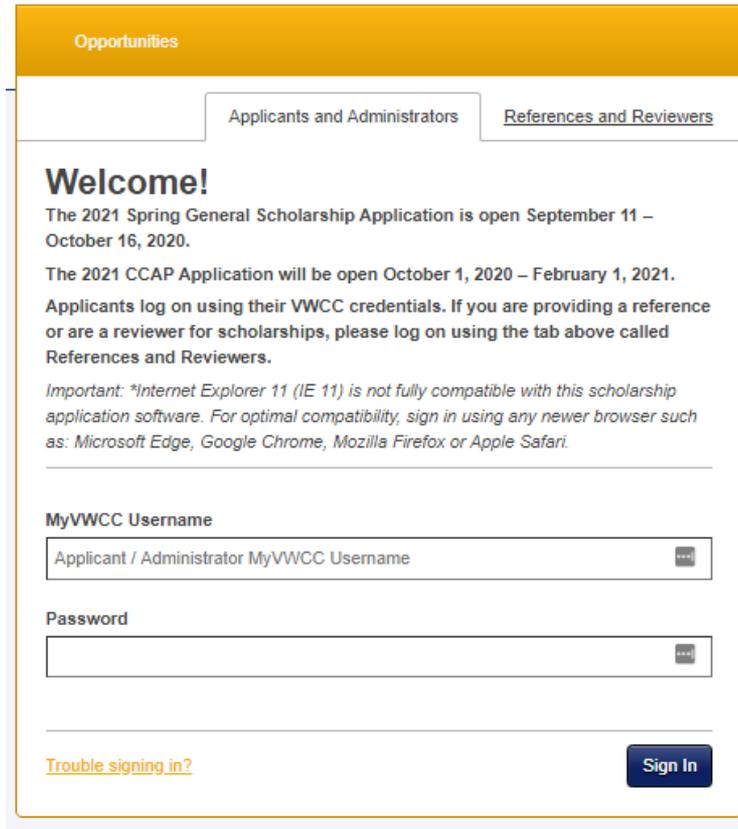
Scholarship Opportunities



Apply Now



Click on **Apply Now** button



Opportunities

Applicants and Administrators References and Reviewers

Welcome!

The 2021 Spring General Scholarship Application is open September 11 – October 16, 2020.

The 2021 CCAP Application will be open October 1, 2020 – February 1, 2021.

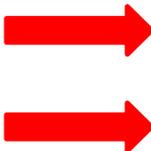
Applicants log on using their VWCC credentials. If you are providing a reference or are a reviewer for scholarships, please log on using the tab above called References and Reviewers.

*Important: *Internet Explorer 11 (IE 11) is not fully compatible with this scholarship application software. For optimal compatibility, sign in using any newer browser such as: Microsoft Edge, Google Chrome, Mozilla Firefox or Apple Safari.*

MyVWCC Username

Password

[Trouble signing in?](#)



Log on with your MyVWCC Username & password

Username example: aei2468 Not: aei2468@email.vccs.edu

Need help with your Virginia Western Username/Password?
Go to <http://www.virginiawestern.edu/iet-services/myvwcc-help>

My Applications ¹ Opportunities References

Application Progress

● General Application ⓘ

You can save your application at any time by clicking **Save and Keep Editing** at the bottom of the form. Once completed, you can submit your application by clicking **Finish and Continue**.
Note: Required fields are marked with an asterisk.

General Application Questions

★ **First Name** ⓘ

★ **Last Name** ⓘ

★ **Home Phone Number**

Please enter a phone number formatted like 555-555-5555.

Cell Phone Number (The Educational Foundation may send notifications to the applicant's cell phone. The applicant may reply STOP to cancel, HELP for help. Msg&data rates may apply.) ⓘ

Please enter a phone number formatted like 555-555-5555.

Please provide your personal (not Virginia Western) e-mail address.

★ **From which high school will you or did you graduate? If none of these, please select None of the Above.**

★ **Is this your first time attending Virginia Western Community College (excluding dual-enrollment classes)?** ⓘ

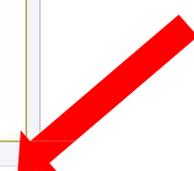
Yes
 No

★ **What is your most recent cumulative GPA?** ⓘ

Please enter a number. You can use a decimal, but exclude any other symbols.

★ **Are you applying for CCAP (Community College Access Program) or General Scholarships?** ⓘ

**Be sure to select
General Scholarships**



**Answer all questions carefully and completely.
Click **Finish and Submit** button.
Advance to the Scholarship Conditional Application.**

The screenshot displays a user interface for an application portal. At the top, there is a navigation bar with three tabs: "My Applications" (highlighted with a red circle containing the number 1), "Opportunities", and "References". Below the navigation bar, a green banner contains a checkmark icon and the text: "Your general application has been successfully submitted." On the left side, under the heading "Application Progress", there is a vertical list of three items: "General Application" with a green checkmark icon, "General Scholarships" with a filled blue circle icon, and "Other Recommended Opportunities" with an empty white circle icon. Three red arrows point to these three items from the left. A grey notification box titled "Great News!" is overlaid on the "General Scholarships" section. The notification text reads: "Based on your general application, additional applications have been made available. Please complete the following to apply for all possible opportunities." A red arrow points from the notification box to the "General Scholarships" item in the progress list. The main content area on the right shows the "General Scholarships" section with a dashed line separator. Below the separator, there is a text prompt: "* Please upload your most recent academic transcript. If you have completed a GED, or received a high school diploma". Below this is a dropdown menu. Further down, there is a text input field with the instruction: "Please enter a whole number—no decimals or other symbols." Below that is a section titled "Self Supporting Students, please fill out the information below. You MUST answer this section OR Dependent Students section." which contains two numbered items: "1. Marital Status:" with a dropdown menu showing "Married", and "2. Number of dependent children:" with a dropdown menu showing "2". A small red circle with the number 1 is visible in the top right corner of the form area.

Note that there is a check mark bullet by the completed General Application, a filled in bullet by the active General Scholarships application and an empty bullet by the Other Recommended Opportunities that has not been accessed yet.

My Applications 1 Opportunities

Application Progress

- ✓ General Application
- General Scholarships

General Scholarships

* Please upload your most recent academic transcript indicating cumulative GPA. If you have completed a GED, or received a high school diploma through an alternative program, please upload proof of completion.

[Add a New File. Must be: .pdf, .docx, .doc](#)

If you are a Virginia Western student who has completed at least one semester of coursework, you may provide an UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT, which is available on your Virginia Western student account student center page, under the Academics section. Consult the online MyVWCC Help at www.virginiawestern.edu for more information. If you are a Virginia Western dual-enrolled student, you must provide your most recent high school transcript. If you have not attended Virginia Western, then you must provide an OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT from another college or from the high school from which you graduated.

* How many credits will you enroll in for the 2020 fall semester?

Please enter a whole number, no decimals or other symbols. The number of credits you enroll in helps to determine the scholarships you are eligible to receive.

* Financial Information - Answer 1 time.

* 1. Number of family members in household (including yourself)

Please enter a whole number, no decimals or other symbols.

* 2. Number of family members in household in college (including yourself)

Please enter a whole number, no decimals or other symbols.

* 3. Are you a self-supporting student or a dependent student?

Self-supporting
 Dependent

* 4. Total Household Annual Income

The range of income you select from the list should approximate the amount of Adjusted Gross Income reported on your federal tax return if you are self-supporting or reported on your parent(s)' tax return if you are a dependent student.

Click on **“Add a New File”** to upload your most recent academic transcript (may be unofficial.)

* Upload your 2020-2021 FAFSA Student Aid Report or upload a copy of your 2019 signed federal tax return. If you are a dependent student, upload your parent(s) tax return. Do not submit W-2, schedules or supporting documentation.

[Add a New File. Must be: .pdf, .docx, .doc](#)

Has there been any significant change in your financial situation within the past year, or is there any financial information we should take into consideration?

If yes, please explain:

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Example Formatting: *bold*, *_italics_* Full Screen 

* Are you currently employed?

If yes, please fill out the information below.

How many hours do you work a week? 1

Job Title:

Name of Employer:

Click on **“Add a New File”** to upload your 2020-2021 FAFSA Student Aid Report or your or 2019 signed federal tax return.

* Personal Statement of Interest - Answer 1 time.

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* Describe an obstacle that you have encountered in your life and how you overcame it. (minimum 100 words)

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Words Used: 0 out of 250 Example Formatting: *bold*, _italics_ Full Screen [Full Screen Icon]

* Why is receiving a scholarship important to you? (minimum 100 words)

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Words Used: 0 out of 250 Example Formatting: *bold*, _italics_ Full Screen [Full Screen Icon]

The two Personal Statements of Interest questions require a **minimum of 100 words** and maximum 250 words for each answer. You may type directly in the answer boxes or copy and paste your answers into the boxes from a saved document.

* Two References are required. Please enter three names and their e-mail addresses to provide online references. You must submit three names and e-mail addresses to ensure at least two references are successfully submitted. One reference should be completed by a Virginia Western Community College instructor and one reference should be completed by an individual outside of Virginia Western, not a relative or friend. If you have never attended Virginia Western, you may request the references be completed by former teachers, employers, or colleagues at work. Please do not use references from relatives or friends. - Answer 1 time.

* Reference 1:

[Add a New Reference](#)

Do not use relatives or friends as references. Their recommendations will be disqualified. Reference submittals are the applicant's responsibility.

* Reference 2:

[Add a New Reference](#)

Do not use relatives or friends as references. Their recommendations will be disqualified. Reference submittals are the applicant's responsibility.

* Reference 3:

[Add a New Reference](#)

Do not use relatives or friends as references. Their recommendations will be disqualified. Reference submittals are the applicant's responsibility.

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**Ask three persons (not family or friend) to be your references.
Click on [Add a New Reference](#) for each.**

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*** Recommendation 1:** ⓘ

Add a New Reference

| | |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| Reference Name | Reference Email |
| <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |

*** Recommendation 2:** ⓘ

Add a New Reference

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|----------------------|----------------------|
| Reference Name | Reference Email |
| <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |

*** Recommendation 3:** ⓘ

Add a New Reference

| | |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| Reference Name | Reference Email |
| <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |

Enter names and e-addresses of the three persons who will be your references. Check spelling and typing of e-address. Be accurate! A wrongly spelled e-address will prevent the request from being sent to your reference.

* I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided on this application is complete and accurate. I have read and understand the scholarship guidelines and the criteria for eligibility to receive the scholarship. I authorize Virginia Western Community College and Virginia Western Community College Educational Foundation to share copies of this application, essay and other attachments with any of the scholarship committee members and/or donors. I authorize employees of Virginia Western and the Educational Foundation to review my academic record as needed to determine eligibility. In the case I am awarded a scholarship, I hereby approve Virginia Western Community College and the Educational Foundation to release my name, hometown, and the name and amount of the scholarship I receive to be included in a news release. Furthermore, unless a written statement to the contrary is filed with the Educational Foundation Office, I give authorization to Virginia Western and the Educational Foundation to publish photographs and/or videos of myself for promotional purposes. - Answer 1 time.

* 1. Electronic Signature

* 2. Date

Save and Keep Editing

Finish and Submit

Type your name and current date in the Electronic Signature line and Date line.

(This is same as signing a paper form by hand)

When you feel your application is complete, click **Finish and Submit button.**

After you click “Finish and Submit”, if items or answers are missing, you will immediately see a screen like that below indicating missing items. You must answer all to complete your application.

The screenshot shows a web application interface with a yellow navigation bar at the top containing 'My Applications', 'Opportunities', and 'References'. A red circle with the number '1' is positioned above the 'My Applications' tab. Below the navigation bar is a pink error message box with a red exclamation mark icon. The message states: 'This application could not be updated because of 5 errors:'. It lists five bullet points: 'How many credits will you enroll in for the 2018 fall semester?' is required; '1. Number of family members in household (including yourself)' should be answered at least 1 times; '2. Number of family members in household in college (including yourself)' should be answered at least 1 times; '3. Are you a self-supporting student or a dependent student?' should be answered at least 1 times; and '4. Total Household Annual Income' should be answered at least 1 times. Below the error message is a sidebar titled 'Application Progress' with three items: 'General Application' (checked), 'General Scholarships' (selected with a blue circle and an information icon), and 'Other Recommended Opportunities' (unchecked). At the bottom of the sidebar is a button labeled 'Applicant Record'. The main content area is titled 'General Scholarships' and contains a star icon followed by the instruction: 'Please upload your most recent academic transcript. If you have completed a GED, or received a high school diploma through an alternative program, please upload proof of completion.' Below this is a file upload field showing 'AW_F18_TEST_DOCUMENT.docx - 6 minutes ago' and a 'View or Add a New File' link. There are two red-bordered error boxes. The first is for the question 'How many credits will you enroll in for the 2018 fall semester?' with an empty input field and the instruction 'Please enter a whole number—no decimals or other symbols.' The second is for the question '1. Number of family members in household (including yourself)' with an empty input field and the instruction 'Please enter a whole number—no decimals or other symbols.' At the bottom right of the form are two buttons: 'Save and Keep Editing' and 'Finish and Submit'.

Once all questions are answered , click “Finish and Submit” again. You will automatically be taken to Part 3 of the application to apply for specific recommended opportunities for which you may qualify.

My Applications ▾ Opportunities ▾ References

Application Progress

- ✓ General Application
- ✓ General Scholarships
- Other Recommended Opportunities ⓘ

Recommended Opportunities

Show Filters

Your scholarship application is automatically applied to all general scholarships for which you qualify. However, here are additional scholarship opportunities for which you may qualify. These scholarships may require you to write an additional essay or answer additional questions. If you are interested, please click on the **"Apply"** button next to each scholarship and follow the **"Opportunity Specific"** instructions located at the top of the application. Once complete click **"Finish and Submit"** at the bottom of the page.

Search by Keyword

| Award | Name | Actions |
|------------|--|--|
| \$1,000.00 | Beverly and Leon Harris Teaching and Nursing, Virginia Scholarship Provides assistance for tuition, books, and other related fees to a student with a minimum 3.0 GPA who intends to pursue a career in teaching or... | Apply by 05/20/2018 |
| \$595.00 | African American Railroad Heritage Annual Scholarship Funds from the scholarship will provide assistance for tuition, books and other related expenses to students enrolled in at least six credits per... | Apply by 05/20/2018 |
| \$500.00 | American Sign Language Endowed Scholarship in Memory of Laura Knight Schowe Provides assistance for tuition expenses for students enrolled in a Sign Language course or seminar, with a minimum 3.0 grade point average. To be... | Apply by 05/20/2018 |

Click on the yellow scholarship name to read the full criteria for each Recommended Opportunity. Click on the blue Apply button to answer the specific questions for any opportunities for which you may qualify.

My Applications ▾ Opportunities ▾ References

Beverly and Leon Harris Teaching and Nursing Annual Scholarship

Description

Provides assistance for tuition, books, and other related fees to a student with a minimum 3.0 GPA who intends to pursue a career in teaching or...

Deadline

05/20/2018

Category

New

Supporting Documents

- Applicant Record
- Profile
- General Scholarships

You can save your application at any time by clicking **Save and Keep Editing** at the bottom of the form. Once completed, you can submit your application by clicking **Finish and Submit**.

Note: Required fields are marked with an asterisk.

Supplemental Questions

★ Do you intend to pursue a career in teaching?

Yes

No

★ Do you intend to pursue a degree in Nursing or a certificate in Practical Nursing?

Yes

No



When you complete the supplemental question(s) for a recommended opportunity, click **Finish and Submit button.**

My Applications ▾ Opportunities ▾ References

✔ Your application to Beverly and Leon Harris Teaching and Nursing Annual Scholarship has been successfully submitted.

Application Progress

- ✔ General Application
- ✔ General Scholarships
- Other Recommended Opportunities ⓘ

Recommended Opportunities Show Filters

Your scholarship application is automatically applied to all general scholarships for which you qualify. However, here are additional scholarship opportunities for which you may qualify. These scholarships may require you to write an additional essay or answer additional questions. If you are interested, please click on the "Apply" button next to each scholarship and follow the "Opportunity Specific" instructions located at the top of the application. Once complete click "Finish and Submit" at the bottom of the page.

| Award | Name | Actions |
|------------|---|--|
| \$1,000.00 | Beverly and Leon Harris Teaching and Nursing Annual Scholarship Provides assistance for tuition, books, and other related fees to a student with a minimum 3.0 GPA who intends to pursue a career in teaching or... | View Your Application |
| \$500.00 | African American Railroad Heritage Annual Scholarship Funds from the Scholarship shall provide assistance for tuition, books and other related expenses to students enrolled in at least six credits per... | Apply by 05/20/2018 |
| \$520.00 | American Sign Language Endowed Scholarship in Memory of Laura Knight Schowe Provides assistance for tuition expenses for students enrolled in a Sign Language course or seminar, with a minimum 3.0 grade point average. To be... | Apply by 05/20/2018 |



After applying for individual opportunities, you may review a specific opportunity application by clicking on "View Your Application (on right, in yellow, in graphic).



My Applications Opportunities References

Status

Recommended Opportunities Submitted 1 of 31 Reference Letters Submitted 0 of 3

General Applications Submitted 2 of 2

General Applications

| | |
|--|---|
| Submitted General Application Update | Submitted General Scholarships Update |
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Current

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| Deadline Submitted | 05/20/2018 |
| Beverly and Leon Harris Teaching and Nursing Annual Scholarship | |
| Update | |

During the scholarship application process, you may click on the 3 yellow tabs at top to review your applications, recommended opportunities and references.

My Applications ▾ Opportunities ▾ References

Active References Expired References

Active References ⓘ

General Scholarships

| Name | Email | Request Date | Status |
|--|---------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| Recommendation 1: (Scholarship Reference Evaluation) | | | |
| Easter Bunny | cottontail@gmail.com | 03/21/2018 | Requested |
| Recommendation 2: (Scholarship Reference Evaluation) | | | |
| Top Cat | leaderoftheband@gmail.com | 03/21/2018 | Requested |
| Recommendation 3: (Scholarship Reference Evaluation) | | | |
| Babe Ruth | slugger@gmail.com | 03/21/2018 | Requested |

VERY IMPORTANT!

When you submit the General Scholarship application (Part 2), a request is sent to your references asking them to provide the reference evaluation. You may click on the “References” tab at the top of the page (in yellow band) to see the **status** of your references once your application is submitted.



Thank you for submitting an application for the
Educational Foundation Scholarships.

Have questions? Need more information?

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