



## Requirements for the Virginia Federation of Republican Women Scholarships

Thank you for your interest in applying for scholarships sponsored by the Virginia Federation of Republican Women (VFRW). Our scholarships support Republican women in their educational endeavors. To help you determine whether a VFRW scholarship is a good match for you, please note below the list of minimum qualifications:

**REQUIREMENT:** must be a woman with U.S. citizenship, resident of Virginia for at least two (2) years and currently attending an institution of higher learning in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Online students are not eligible for this scholarship.

**REQUIREMENT:** must be registered to vote in Virginia.

**REQUIREMENT:** must have completed a minimum of 12 hours of study at the undergraduate level and not be graduating in the current school year (i.e. 2016 – 2017).

**REQUIREMENT:** must have a minimum GPA of 2.5

**REQUIREMENT:** must submit answers to specific essay questions contained in the application below

**REQUIREMENT:** must submit one (1) letter of recommendation, from someone other than a family member, discussing the applicant's moral and ethical standing as it relates to the applicant's character

- It could be a professor or faculty member from your college or university, from a recognized (elected or appointed) Republican leader, or a respected member of the community (example: rabbi, pastor, priest, coach, or the like)

**REQUIREMENT:** A one-page resume'

**Only completed applications will be considered.** Applications will be evaluated based on the strength of the Question: Do we want to add some language here something to the effect of that we will be evaluating applicants based on the strength of their entire package?  
entire package. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the scholarship chair, Melissa Beaudoin at [mmcbeaudoin@gmail.com](mailto:mmcbeaudoin@gmail.com).



## Virginia Federation of Republican Women

### Political Studies Scholarship Application

The Virginia Federation of Republican Women (VFRW) is devoted to empowering women of all ages, ethnicities, and backgrounds in the political process. In support of this goal, the VFRW will award one \$1000 scholarship in 2017 to a woman majoring a degree field that is directly related to Political Science. For example, this scholarship is open to undergraduate and graduate students studying subjects directly related to Political Science such as Political Science, Government, Law, Political Communications/Journalism, Public Policy/Administration, International Relations, or Economics. The recipient of this scholarship will be a young woman who is currently enrolled in an accredited college in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Please note:

- The winners will be announced at the 2017 VFRW Convention (April 28-30, 2017)
- Scholarships will be paid directly to the designated school
- **DEADLINE:** Applications and essays *must* be received by Friday, March 3, 2017
- Applications may be received via email or through the post office. Please note, however, if applications are mailed, packages must be *received* by Friday, March 3, 2017. Postmarks will **NOT** count.

o Email application packages to: [mmcbeaudoin@gmail.com](mailto:mmcbeaudoin@gmail.com) or

Mail applications via the post office to:

Melissa Beaudoin  
VFRW Political Scholarship Chair  
6822 Murray Lane  
Annandale, VA 22003

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Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial	Social Security #
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Home Address	City
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Date and Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

US Citizen: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Name of University \_\_\_\_\_

University Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Major(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Minor(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Graduation \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_

Undergraduate Hours Completed : \_\_\_\_\_

College Activities and Achievements:

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#### CIVIC ACTIVITIES AND POLITICAL INTERESTS

Are you registered to Vote? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you vote in the last election (any)? \_\_\_\_\_

If no, please explain:

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In what Republican political activities have you participated (25 words or less)?

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How did you find out about the VFRW Scholarship (25 words or less)?

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What does being an American citizen mean to you (50 words or less)?

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List the three (3) most important characteristics of a Republican woman in our American Democracy.

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How do you plan to apply your major course of study to Republican politics (50 words or less)?

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**Mini-Essay:** On a separate piece of paper, answer the following question in 100 words or less: “How do you plan to apply your degree in government or Republican politics?”

**Essay:** On separate piece of paper, answer the following question in 500 words or less: “What does it mean to be a Republican woman in today’s world?” In your discussion, please include:

- What are your *responsibilities* as a Republican in our Representative Democracy?
- How will you work with individuals of different ideological viewpoints to achieve your goals?

Is there anything else that you would like to contribute that you feel may help us in our decision-making process?

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I verify that the information above is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_