

VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

What is the International Student Scholarship?

It waives the out-of-state portion of a student's tuition. An awardee will be paying their tuition and fees at the in-state tuition rate. A minimum GPA of 3.0 out of a 4.0 scale is required to apply for the scholarship.

How to Apply (Read Carefully!)

- 1. Fill out all Part I of the attached form (you can type in your responses and sign electronically)
- 2. Fill out Part II of the attached, listing any and all of the following:
 - a. All of the extra-curricular activities that you have participated in, and the number of years you have participated in each activity. (student clubs, student government, volunteer work, etc.)

For individuals being recruited to participate in intercollegiate athletics at Valdosta State, participation in high school, collegiate and/or club sports will not be considered in any way as part of the application for the scholarship.

- b. All awards or honors you have received and when you received them. (for example: Academic Honors, Academic-Based Awards, Special Recognition Awards, Academic Societies)
- c. All leadership positions held and the period you held them.

3. **Part III A of the application**, please type a 300-word personal statement. You should describe your educational experiences, personal and professional goals, why you need the scholarship (financial need).

4. **Part IV B of the application:** Obtain at least one recommendation letter from an official at your current/past high school, college or university that can at least attest to your academic performance. The best recommendation letters will come from a professor or advisor that has worked with you closely, and can speak about your academic performance and character.

5. **Include copies of your transcripts and test scores (if applicable)**. If you have already submitted copies of your official transcripts and test scores to VSU Admissions, please let us know we'll get copies of your transcripts from their office.

- a. Minimum GPA to be considered for the scholarship is a 3.0 out of a 4.0 scale.
- b. Copies of test scores (TOEFL or SAT) are only required if you have taken these exams.

Requirements for Maintaining the Scholarship

- 1. Maintain at least a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher for the duration of your studies at Valdosta State University.
- 2. Be enrolled in a full course load each semester (12 credits for undergraduates, 9 for graduates).
- 3. Maintain appropriate immigration status at all times, and follow all immigration regulations, university policies, as well as any federal, state, and local laws.
- 4. Be an active participant in at least 2 service activities each semester.



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PART I - STUDENT INFORMATION Name Middle Initial Last First VSU Email address Date of Birth Country _ (mm/dd/yyyy) Major I am a (freshman/transfer/continuing student) Freshman/transfer students: When will you begin at VSU? (fall, spring, summer) vear

PART II - COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

See instructions above for information and tips to complete this section.

PART III - ESSAY

Personal Statement: You must provide a three hundred word personal statement. In this essay, you should describe your educational experiences and personal and professional goals. You must include information about your financial need. Please remember that the scholarship committee will use this essay as the primary criteria for awarding scholarships. This statement must be at least 300 words long. If you do not complete a statement or if your statement is too short, your application will be disqualified. Please type your essay on your own paper.

PART IV - LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Each applicant must provide at least one letter of recommendation from an official at your high school, college, or university that can attest to your academic performance and character.

ATTESTATION

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do attest that I have read the information and accept the guidelines for the International Student Scholarship. Further, all of the information provided by me is, to the best of my knowledge, true and accurate. If awarded the scholarship, I agree to abide by all of the stated rules and regulations.

Signature

Name

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

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