

Virginia Forage and Grassland Council Harlan White Scholarship

In 2011, the Dr. Harlan E. White Memorial Scholarship Fund was established by the Virginia Forage and Grassland Council (VFGC). The fund will be used for scholarships, education, research, and other activities related to the promotion and better understanding of forages and grasslands in Virginia.

Dr. White's career was long and distinguished. He joined the Virginia Tech Agronomy Department in 1966 as an Extension Forage Specialist. In 1979, he was the driving force behind the formation of the Virginia Forage and Grassland Council, which has grown to become a major voice for the forage and livestock industries in Virginia. Harlan was a recipient of many state and national awards recognizing his educational programs directed at improving the well-being of forage producers and their support industries. His dedication to the forage industry continued throughout his retirement years by serving as both treasurer and advisor to the VFGC.

The Harlan White Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00 will be given annually to an undergraduate or graduate student at Virginia Tech.

A. Eligibility for scholarships:

1. Enrolled in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Virginia Tech.
2. Senior undergraduate or graduate student standing.
3. Candidates must have good academic standing (GPA above 3.0).

B. Candidate evaluation will be based upon:

1. Priority will be given to students whose primary focus and career goals are related to Forage Crops and Grasslands.
2. Academic achievement.
3. Candidate's essay and application form.
4. Letter of recommendation (1 or 2)
5. Financial Need

Application form should be received by **December 1, 2024** to be considered. Award announcements will be made in mid-December and winners will be asked to attend one of the Annual VFGC meetings in January to accept the award. Please turn in the application form via email to: vfgcawards@gmail.com

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Any senior undergraduate or graduate student may apply for this scholarship who meets the following qualifications:

1. *Student must be enrolled in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Virginia Tech.*
2. *Priority will be given to students pursuing a career related to forage crops and grasslands.*
3. *Preference will be given to a Virginia resident. Out of state students will be considered if Virginia resident does not apply.*

<i>If you are interested in being considered for this scholarship and meet the above qualifications, please fill out the information below:</i>
<i>Date:</i>
<i>Name:</i>
<i>Campus Address:</i>
<i>Campus Telephone:</i>
<i>Home Address:</i>
<i>Home Telephone:</i>
<i>All previous universities and colleges attended:</i>
<i>Overall grade point average:</i>
<i>Major field of study:</i>
<i>Submit most recent college transcript:</i>
<i>Number of credits earned toward degree:</i>
<i>Please indicate why you chose agriculture as your field of study and why you are interested in forages and grasslands:</i>
<i>Please indicate what special qualifications you have that make you eligible for this scholarship:</i>
<i>Please list all other scholarship grants or financial assistance you are presently receiving:</i>
<i>Please attach a typed brief summary (500 words or less) of your experience and what you hope to be doing in the field of agriculture after graduation:</i>
<i>Please attach one or two letters of recommendation. Letters should be solicited from (current or previous) academic advisors, instructors, or supervisors.</i>
Return form to: vfgcawards@gmail.com by <u>December 1, 2024</u>.