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## **Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges Announces Winners of Wachovia Securities Scholarships**

Richmond, VA— The Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges (VFIC) and Wachovia Securities are pleased to announce the winners of the VFIC / Wachovia Securities Scholarship Program competition.

These students were selected in a statewide competition with applicants from all 15 member colleges in the VFIC consortium. This prestigious scholarship, worth \$10,000, carries with it the opportunity to be considered for a paid summer internship at Wachovia Securities, a Fortune 500 financial firm headquartered in Richmond. The newly-named VFIC / Wachovia Securities Scholars are:

- Amiral Altia Robin Brown of Virginia Beach, VA – junior, Randolph-Macon College
- Travis Cober of Morgantown, WV – junior, Virginia Wesleyan College
- Ashley Francis of Fredericksburg, VA – junior, Roanoke College
- Matthew Moore of Midlothian, VA – junior, Hampden-Sydney College

“The competition for this scholarship was very strong, so it’s a real credit to these students that they were selected,” said Ned Moore, President of the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges. “We are delighted to partner with Wachovia Securities on this important initiative. With their generosity we have been able to reward talented and dedicated young men and women with much-needed academic scholarships as well as career development opportunities.”

Founded in 1952, the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges is a nonprofit fund-raising partnership supporting the programs and students of 15 leading private colleges in the Commonwealth: Bridgewater College, Emory & Henry College, Hampden-Sydney College, Hollins University, Lynchburg College, Mary Baldwin College, Marymount University, Randolph-Macon College, Randolph College (formerly Randolph-Macon Woman’s College), Roanoke College, Shenandoah University, Sweet Briar College, University of Richmond, Virginia Wesleyan College, and Washington & Lee University.

The Wachovia Securities Scholarship program, administered by the VFIC, is provided to juniors who have academic promise, demonstrated financial need, and an interest in enhancing their future career opportunities in finance through an internship with a Fortune 500 company. The award is available to VFIC undergraduate students seeking degrees in Business, Finance, Accounting, Economics, or Mathematics. Each scholar receives \$5,000 for his or her junior year and an additional \$5,000 for his or her senior year, contingent on maintaining the scholarship requirements. The scholarship process is very competitive and students selected have an inside track to apply for a paid summer internship at Wachovia Securities.

For additional information on the VFIC, visit [www.vfic.org](http://www.vfic.org).

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