

SCHOLARSHIP

VFIC MEMBER COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

Bridgewater College
Emory & Henry College
Hampden-Sydney College
Hollins University
Lynchburg College
Mary Baldwin College
Marymount University
Randolph College
Randolph-Macon College
Roanoke College
Shenandoah University
Sweet Briar College
University of Richmond
Virginia Wesleyan College
Washington and Lee University

The mission of the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges is to advance the distinctive values and strengths of these smaller, undergraduate residential Virginia member colleges. We do this by securing financial support from the private sector, increasing visibility, facilitating innovative and collaborative initiatives between the colleges, and supporting initiatives which ensure that this personalized educational experience remains an affordable choice for tomorrow's citizen-leaders.



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AFFILIATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

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Since 1952, the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges (VFIC) has helped the top 15 private colleges in the state ensure that access to private higher education in Virginia is an affordable option for students from all backgrounds and levels of financial need.

Each year, there are many talented Virginia students from low- to moderate-income families who wish to attend one of the Commonwealth's leading private colleges or universities, but need significant financial assistance to make it happen. To address this pressing need, we are pleased to offer the VFIC Affiliate Scholarship Program to generate the funds needed for these students to fulfill their dreams of a liberal arts and sciences education of quality, depth and breadth.

CONSIDER THESE IMPORTANT FACTS:

- The 15 institutions in the VFIC consortium are the leading private colleges and universities in Virginia, providing a time-tested top quality higher education to more than 20,000 students.
- 55% of all students at the VFIC institutions have demonstrated financial need, and so qualify for financial aid in the form of loans, scholarships, and work study.
- 30% of students attending VFIC colleges are eligible for federal Pell grants, which are available only to students from lower-income families with the highest financial need, a percentage far greater than at Virginia's 4-year public institutions (22%).



YOUR INVESTMENT IN THE FUTURE

The VFIC Affiliate Scholarship program is a tangible and effective way for donors to help deserving and motivated students achieve their dreams of a high quality college education. In the Program, a gift of \$5,000 (or more) creates critically-important \$1,000 scholarships for five (or more) students who demonstrate academic promise and high financial need. Each scholarship carries the name of the donor, reflecting the donor's abiding commitment to helping students in need achieve a brighter future.

We are pleased to provide you with this opportunity to help secure brighter futures for motivated young men and women pursuing their educational goals. We invite you to join us in this important initiative.

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