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AOC Capitol Club Electronic Warfare Scholarship Application

Overview and Instructions

About the Scholarship

The Capitol Club AOC Chapter provides Scholarship Awards to Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University preparing students for potential careers in Electronic Defense and Warfare. A scholarship of \$2500 will be awarded annually.

About the AOC Capitol Club

The scholarship program is administered by the Association of Old Crows Capitol Club, a chapter of the Association of Old Crows (AOC), the Electronic Warfare and Information Operations Association, a 501(c)6 international not-for-profit association. The Capitol Club operates a separate 501(c)3 education foundation from which its scholarship program is administered. For more information on the Capitol Club, its leadership and activities, please visit www.dccapitolclub.com.

Eligibility

- Applicant must be enrolled (by date of award) at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.
- Applicants may be registered full-time or part-time equivalent at a qualifying school.
- Applicant should have a cumulative undergraduate GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) or higher.
- Applicant must be pursuing an undergraduate degree.
- Recipients can be awarded the scholarships each year until they graduate so long as they meet the criteria. Scholarships are awarded without regard to race, color, creed, sex or national origin.
- Applicant need not be a member of the AOC; however, preference will be given to members of the AOC.



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Deadline and Award Notice

- Applications and accompanying paperwork must be received NO LATER THAN November 17th, 2017.
- The scholarship awardee will be announced no later than December 8th, 2017.
- The awardee is expected to attend a scholarship presentation reception at one of the Capitol Club's monthly events near Washington, DC.
- The scholarship will be awarded through the selected student's educational institution in the student's name for the Winter 2017 semester.

Participating Universities

- The following universities are currently participating in the Capitol Club chapter scholarship program. The Capitol Club Board of Directors reserves the right to add or modify the list of participating universities as needed:
 - Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

Application Instructions

- Download an application from AOC Capitol Club website at www.dccapitolclub.com
- Submit a short essay of not more than two typewritten pages (12-point font, double-spaced) on their interests with regard to National Defense. Specifically, address how their interest and education objectives will support future contributions to National Defense. Examples include future employment in radar, sonar, infrared, electronic countermeasures, surveillance, guidance, optics, lasers, navigation, information warfare, etc.
- Submit complete application with accompanying material electronically via pdf attachment to:

Kira R. Gantt, Ph.D.
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Bradley Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering
kgantt@vt.edu
- If you need additional space for any application section, please write "See attachment" under the question, provide your answer in its entirety on a separate page, and attach the additional page to your application.
- Under Reference Recommendation, please include at least one academic or AOC member reference. You may submit more than two references; however, applications with more than two references will not necessarily receive special preference.
- Recommendations must be signed and sealed by the reference (not the applicant) and either enclosed with the completed application or mailed separately to the address above.
- Essays must abide by the given parameters. Applications with essays not in accordance with the parameters will be disqualified.



What criteria are used to select the scholarship winners?

- Selection of the applicants shall be based on:
 - Interest and potential future contribution to National Defense. (Based on the student essay)
 - Academic Excellence
 - Recommendations from AOC members
- If you have any questions or need additional information regarding the application process, please do not hesitate to contact:

Mike Conschafter
AOC Capitol Club
Scholarship Chair
mconschafter@gmail.com

Who selects the scholarship winners?

- Students are selected by the University. The selection shall be made by unbiased, independent person(s) not affiliated with the local chapter. The selected student names, degree program, expected graduation year, essay and nominations (if any) are to be presented to the Chapter Scholarship Director for routine confirmation of the selection process. No financial information is requested.



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Part I. General Information

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ M.I.: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Email: _____ Place of Birth: _____

AOC Member: Yes No If yes, membership number: _____

Part II: Military Information (if applicable)

Branch of Service: _____

Unit/Command: _____

Rank: _____

Dates of Service: _____

Part III: Academic Information

Undergraduate College/University: _____

Degree: _____

Year/Expected Graduation: _____ GPA: _____

Address: _____

(If you earned more than one degree, please provide complete academic information on separate page).

College/University/Institute attending Winter 2017: _____

Address: _____

Degree/Certificate: _____

Current GPA (if applicable): _____ Full-time Part-time

Expected Graduation Date: _____



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Part IV: Additional Information

1. List any professional, military, or academic experiences, extracurricular activities, or awards and honors.
2. Postgraduate Plans/Career Goals.

Recommendation Reference #1

Name: _____
 Email: _____
 Phone: _____
 Relationship to Applicant: _____

Recommendation Reference #2

Name: _____
 Email: _____
 Phone: _____
 Relationship to Applicant: _____

Part V: Essay

Provide an essay on your career goals in relation to the field of electronic warfare or related disciplines two typewritten pages (12-point font, double-spaced) on your interests with regard to National Defense. Specifically, address how your interest and education objectives will support future contributions to National Defense. Examples include future employment in radar, sonar, infrared, electronic countermeasures, surveillance, guidance, optics, lasers, navigation, information warfare, etc.

Part VI: Certification

I certify that I am not related to an employee of the AOC or an AOC member serving on the Capitol Club chapter or National Board of Directors.

Initials: _____ Date: _____

I agree to allow the scholarship selection committee to review my academic records. I also agree to allow the committee to share my application with the donor(s) of any scholarship I am awarded.

I certify that the information provided on this application and all supplemental forms is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I further certify that if I am chosen as a scholarship recipient, I will use those funds only for expenses related to my education in an institution of higher learning in the United States, and I will provide a transcript at the end of the school year for which the scholarship will apply.

Signature: _____ Date: _____