

VC Scholarships

2019-2020 Academic Year

APPLY

Once you have applied and received acceptance to Victoria College (VC), you will use your student ID to log into the Pirate Portal and access the scholarship application. The application is for scholarships administered by the Victoria College Foundation (VCF). Scholarships awarded by VCF are for students attending VC only and are not transferrable to another institution.

5 Easy Steps to Apply for a VCF Scholarship

1. Log into the Pirate Portal.
2. Click on the "Financial Aid & Scholarships" folder.
3. Click on the "Scholarship Application" link.
4. Click on "2019-2020 Scholarship Application" link.
5. Complete the Scholarship Application.

DATES

Scholarship application opens - **November 1, 2018**
High School Seniors priority deadline - **March 7, 2019**
All other applicants priority deadline - **April 25, 2019**

Students are encouraged to submit an application even after the priority deadlines. Scholarships will continue to be awarded as funds are available.

Scholarship acceptance will be completed electronically through the Financial Aid Requirements section of the Pirate Portal.

SCHOLARSHIPS

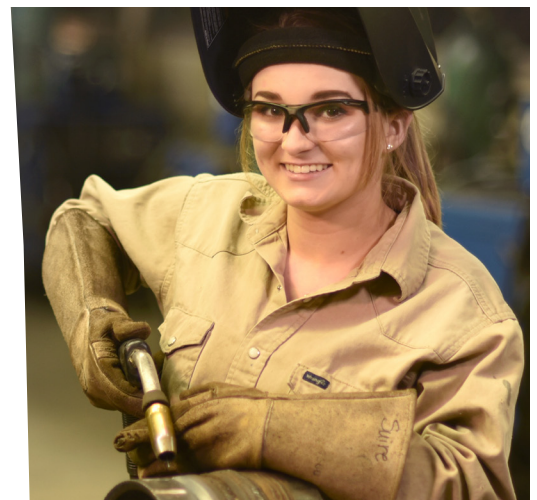
VCF administers numerous scholarships for VC students based on:

- Minimum GPA of 2.50 or higher
- Specific majors and programs
- Returning VC students or high school seniors
- Need and non-need based

Students are strongly encouraged to complete the FAFSA application at www.fafsa.ed.gov. For questions, contact the VC Advancement Office at (361) 582-2421 or VCFScholarships@VictoriaCollege.edu.

TIPS

- **Maintain personal information** – Keep your major and all contact information up-to-date on your VC student record.
- **Review your application** – Use minimum words requested, follow directions, and answer all questions. Spelling, grammar, and punctuation are evaluated on your application. Changes are not allowed after submission.
- **Write strong essay answers** – Thoroughly answer open ended questions and share information to help us determine you are a good scholarship candidate.



SAMPLE SCHOLARSHIP QUESTIONS

To give you a head start, the following is a sample of the scholarship questions. Scholarship questions are subject to change.

1. What year did you graduate (or will you graduate) from high school or complete your GED (YYYY)? Enter YEAR ONLY as YYYY.
2. Please state your current total household income. The total figures should include amounts for your parents and yourself as applicable. Enter NUMBERS ONLY, no comments please.
3. What is your current GPA?
4. What is your expected enrollment status for the upcoming academic year?
5. Please list your involvement in organizations, public service, community activities and include dates of your participation.
6. Why did you choose to attend Victoria College rather than another institution?
7. Please answer both questions. What is your major? Do you plan to complete all of your education at Victoria College or will you be transferring to another institution?
8. Using a minimum of 100 words, please tell us about your academic goals and career plans.
9. Using a minimum of 100 words, *“Discuss why education is important”*. Consider your response from one of several perspectives: Education in general, in the community where you live, within your family or for your personal growth.
10. What impact would a scholarship have on your education?
11. If you are employed, who is your employer? Are you employed full time or part time?
12. Please enter the name and contact information for a character reference who would recommend you for a scholarship.
13. Please select the following statement that is applicable to you.
 - I am a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Victoria, TX.
 - I am, or someone in my immediate family is, a Rotarian.
 - I am a first generation college student.
 - These statements do not apply to me.
14. Affirmation: I affirm that the information which I have provided on this application and any additional material that I submit related to the scholarship process is complete, accurate, and true to the best of my knowledge. Pursuant to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 as amended (FERPA). I hereby authorize Victoria College to release the scholarship application information I provided, as well as other official and unofficial Victoria College information regarding my academic progress and status to scholarship donors for the purpose of providing donors with information concerning my eligibility as a scholarship recipient. I also understand that furnishing false information may result in revocation of my scholarship or may result in disciplinary action pursuant to the Victoria College Code of Student Conduct. Do you agree to the above?

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Additional scholarship applications are available at www.VictoriaCollege.edu/Scholarships.

Scholarships include:

- VC Allied Health Continuing Education Scholarship
- VC Dual Credit Scholarship
- VC Gonzales Center Advisory Scholarship
- VC Workforce & Continuing Education Scholarship
- VC Transfer Student Endowed Scholarship
- “What’s Your Story?” Scholarship Contest
- Outside Scholarships