Scholarship Descriptions
(Tentative for Fall 2017)

Recipients of the following scholarships and fellowships must be enrolled in the upcoming fall semester to be eligible. Students who are enrolled in the LSEE program must be admitted to the teacher preparation program in order to qualify for School of Education scholarships. Payment will be applied directly toward tuition and fees for the upcoming fall semester.

Standard Application Packet:
One Original and Two Copies of all documents:
- **SOE Scholarship Application**
- **Two Recommendation Letters**
- **Typed Essay** (see application)
- **Transcripts** (Official transcripts are required from each college/university previously attended.)

To download the required application, go to http://www.soe.vcu.edu/prospective-students/scholarships/.

Scholarships marked with an asterisk (*) have additional application requirements.

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<td>Dr. Virginia A. Arnold established the Arnold Scholarship in 1990 for students with financial need and the desire to become elementary or middle school teachers. Applicants must be accepted in teacher preparation, have a minimum overall grade point average of 3.0, demonstrate financial need and plan to be enrolled as fulltime students during the year of the award.</td>
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**Waverly M. Cole Scholarship in Science Education**

This scholarship was endowed in 2010 to honor the legacy of Waverly M. Cole (M.D. ’54). Dr. Cole was an internationally recognized physician and philanthropist that retired from the Richmond Eye and Ear Hospital in 1997. Dr. Cole was a great friend to the VCU community and the School of Education Doctoral Hearing Room is named in his honor.

- Enrolled in either M.T. or M.Ed. program with a concentration in Science
- Demonstrate financial need

**John R. Cook Scholarship in Counselor Education**

This scholarship honors the legacy and contributions of the late Dr. John R. Cook, who passed away in 2013 at age 94. Cook served as head of Guidance and Counseling Services at the Virginia Department of Education. He co-authored and submitted the first elementary guidance legislation in the U.S. Congress. He served in the Army Medical Corps during World War II. Dr. Cook was a D-Day veteran who saw service in Europe and was part of the Normandy Invasion, landing on Omaha Beach.

- Must be enrolled in either the M.Ed. or Ph.D. Counselor Education program
- Must demonstrate financial need

**Michael D. Davis Scholarship in Urban Education**

The Davis Scholarship in Urban Education was established in 2012 by friends, colleagues, former students, and faculty members to honor Dr. Michael D. Davis. Dr. Davis is a Professor and served as interim Dean at the School of Education from 2010 to 2012. Dr. Davis has worked at VCU for over 30 years, holding previous leadership roles in the School of Education as Chair of the Department of Teaching and Learning and Senior Associate Dean.

- Must be enrolled in the Department of Teaching and Learning or Department of Special Education and Disability Policy
- Show interest in working with PreK-12 learners from diverse racial/ethnic backgrounds
- Commitment to teaching in an urban setting
- Preference will be given to minority candidates

**Jo Lynne DeMary Merit Scholarship**

Dr. Jo Lynne DeMary (M.Ed. ’71), Virginia Superintendent of Public Instruction, was the first School of Education alumna to establish a merit scholarship for VCU students who have indicated an interest in teaching.

- Merit based
- Acceptance into teacher preparation program
- Interest in teaching

**Jack A. Duncan Scholarship**

The Jack A. Duncan Scholarship was established by friends and colleagues of Dr. Duncan in 1998. The scholarship is awarded to graduate students who have been admitted to the Counselor Education Program.

- Degree-seeking student in the Department of Counselor Education
- Can be part-time or full-time
- Minimum GPA 3.0

**Patricia H. Duncan Scholarship**

The Patricia H. Duncan Scholarship is awarded to a graduate student pursuing a career in READING and LANGUAGE ARTS education. Interested applicants should submit their applications through the regular School of Education Scholarship process. All completed applications will then be forwarded to the Reading Program Faculty for evaluation and selection. A STUDENT MAY BE AWARDED THE SCHOLARSHIP ONLY ONCE DURING HIS OR HER MATRICULATION AT VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY.

- Minimum GPA 3.5
- Must be fully admitted into the M.Ed. in Reading/Language Arts program, the Post-Certification Program for Reading Specialist, have good standing as a doctoral student or have completed an approved Dissertation Prospectus in one of the areas of Language Arts for grades Pre-K thru 12
- Applicants should focus the essay part of the application on their reasons for choosing to pursue a career in Reading/Language Arts Program.

**Robert and Gladys Fleming Scholarship**

The Robert and Gladys Fleming Scholarship honors the memory of two professors emeriti of the School of Education. Funded by faculty, alumni, and friends of the Division of Educational Studies.

- Enrolled part-time or full-time in the Administration and Supervision, Counselor Education, or Adult Education program
- Demonstrate financial need

***Arnold P. Fleshood Scholarship**

The Fleshood Scholarship honors the late Dr. Arnold P. Fleshood, former dean of the School of Education. It is designed to offer financial assistance to a graduate student interested in reading education.

- Must be enrolled in a reading/language arts education program or a related field with an interest in reading/language arts
- Replace essay (#22) listed on application instructions with: Define your unique under-served target
**Ann Sarratt Garner Scholarship**
This scholarship will be awarded to a student majoring in early childhood Special Education in the School of Education. 

**Howard G. Garner Scholarship for Developmental Disabilities and Interdisciplinary Studies**
Family and friends have honored Dr. Howard G. Garner, a former faculty member and the first director of the Virginia Institute for Developmental Disabilities (VIDDD), by establishing this scholarship.

**William F. Goggin Merit Scholarship**
Dr. Robert E. Marchant (M.Ed. '71) established the William F. Goggin Merit Scholarship in memory of his former colleague. Dr. William Goggin was a professor of Education who taught courses in curriculum theory and development, secondary school curriculum and methods of teaching English for over twenty years in the School of Education.

**Ena Gross Scholarship in Secondary Mathematics Education**
This scholarship honors the service of Dr. Ena Gross. A nationally distinguished mathematics educator, Dr. Gross served the School of Education for 34 years before her retirement in 2013. Dr. Gross’ husband, Dr. Phil Olds, family, faculty, friends, and former students joined together to help endow this scholarship to support future math educators.

**April Marie “Sweet” Hart Scholarship**
The April Marie “Sweet” Hart Scholarship was established by family and friends in memory of Ms. April Marie Hart. April was an accomplished VCU student who planned to be a first grade teacher. She loved children and cheerleading, and especially loved teaching gymnastics to her students at the East Richmond Gymnastics Center in Richmond. April passed away June 25, 2003 at the age of 20. The scholarship is renewable for up to four additional years provided the student remains in good academic standing as determined by the Dean of the College of Humanities and Sciences. In order to apply for this scholarship, students must complete the April Marie “Sweet” Hart Scholarship Application Form located on the SOE website, http://www.soe.vcu.edu/prospective-students/scholarships/. Deadline: March 1.

**Jessie Hibbs Scholarship**
Funded by the VCU-MCV Women’s Club, this scholarship is awarded to a female graduate student with a dependent child (or children) enrolled in a graduate program on the Monroe Park Campus. This scholarship is offered by the VCU Graduate School through a separate application process. The School of Education Scholarship Committee nominates one candidate for this university wide competition.

**James O. Hodges Scholarship**
Dr. Hodges served the School of Education from 1974 to 1995, where he spent his entire career preparing teachers in elementary education. He was awarded emeritus status upon retirement in 1995. In 1993, he became the first recipient of the school’s Charles P. Ruch Award for Teaching Excellence. Dr. Hodges was instrumental in establishing a Phi Delta Kappa professional education fraternity chapter and was a longtime faculty sponsor of the VCU chapter of the Student Virginia Education Association (SVEA). Monies from this fund may be applied for in multiple years providing the student remains in good academic standing as determined by the School of Education Scholarship Committee.
### Debbie and Todd House Urban Education Scholarship in Math and Science
The Debbie and Todd House Urban Education Scholarship in Math and Science is provided to support students in the School of Education who demonstrate strong financial need and excellent academic achievement in secondary science or math education. Preference will be given to applicants committed to a teaching career in secondary education in science and math in urban or hard-to-staff schools.

| Graduate student | • Applicants must have a minimum 3.3 GPA  
| • Must be formally admitted to the five-year teacher preparation program  
| • Commitment to teaching secondary education in science and math in urban or hard-to-staff schools |

### Elaine West Johnson Scholarship
The Elaine West Johnson Scholarship was established to honor the memory of the late Elaine West Johnson who taught deaf children for 40 years at the VA School for the Deaf and Blind in Hampton, VA. The scholarship was endowed by her daughter, Dr. Diane Simon and her son-in-law, Dr. Thomas Beatty.

| Graduate student | • Must be accepted into a graduate program in Special Education  
| • Demonstrate commitment to teaching children with disabilities in an urban environment |

### N. Thelma Jones Scholarship
The Jones Scholarship was established by Colonel Eben Jones in memory of his sister, N. Thelma Jones, an alumna of Richmond Professional Institute who taught elementary school in the Richmond City Public School System until her retirement.

| Graduate student | • Minimum GPA 3.0  
| • Must be preparing for secondary teaching (grades 8-12)  
| • Plan to be enrolled full-time  
| • Must be accepted in the 5th year of the Master of Teaching program |

### Dale Kalkofen Scholarship in Education Leadership
The Dale Kalkofen Scholarship in Education Leadership is available to support any student enrolled as a degree-seeking student in an undergraduate or graduate program who plans to pursue a career in K-12 school leadership.

| Undergraduate Student  
| Graduate Student | • Must be a degree-seeking student who plans to pursue a career in K-12 school leadership  
| • Demonstrate financial need |

### Ann Elizabeth Marston Endowed Scholarship
Dr. and Mrs. Robert A. Wilson established the Ann Elizabeth Marston Scholarship in the spring of 1996 in memory of Dr. Wilson’s aunt, who helped finance his education.

| Undergraduate student  
| Graduate student | • Minimum GPA 3.0  
| • Plan to teach in elementary or secondary education  
| • Acceptance into teacher preparation program  
| • Demonstrate leadership qualities  
| • Demonstrate financial need |

### Claire McCarthy Scholarship
Established in 1964, this scholarship was created to honor Claire McCarthy, one of the first graduates of the recreation curriculum. She also served in the Richmond Department of Recreation and Parks for many years. Following her death in 1964, members of the community established this scholarship fund for outstanding recreation majors. Contact Danise Harmon, Center for Sport Leadership Business Manager, to apply.

| Graduate student | • Must be pursuing a master’s degree in the Center for Sport Leadership |

### S. Virginia and Berta M. Newell Scholarship
The Newell Scholarship was established in 1989 by Dr. and Mrs. Edward Newell to honor the memory of Dr. Newell’s two sisters, Virginia and Berta Newell, who were graduates of the elementary education program at Richmond Professional Institute.

| Undergraduate student  
| Graduate student | • Minimum GPA 3.0  
| • Demonstrate financial need  
| • Acceptance into teacher preparation program  
| • Plan to be enrolled full-time in an early/elementary education program |

### Noyce II Scholarship/Stipend
The VCU Noyce Phase II Scholarship/Stipend, a National Science Foundation program, provides scholarship funds of up to $24,000 for talented science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) majors to become teachers in high need school districts. Application materials can be accessed at www.noyce.vcu.edu. Application deadline to be determined.

| Graduate student | • Minimum GPA 3.0  
| • Enrolled in or plan to enroll in the Masters of Teachers Secondary Program  
| • Passing score on content area PRAXIS II  
| • Commit to teaching science or mathematics in a high need school district for two years |

### Fred P. Orelove Scholarship in Disability Studies
This scholarship was started by friends, family, and colleagues to honor the distinguished service of Dr. Fred Orelove. Dr. Orelove retired in 2010 after more than 30 years of service to the School of Education as a professor of special education and disability policy. Nationally recognized as a tireless advocate for persons with disabilities.

| Graduate student | • Must be enrolled in a special education and disability policy degree program  
| • Demonstrate a commitment to a career working with and/or serving people with disabilities |
disabilities, Orelove became the Executive Director of the VCU Partnership for People with Disabilities in 1991 and served in that role until his retirement. With his leadership, the program now is home to over 20 federal and state programs supporting individuals with disabilities and their families.

**Phi Delta Kappa Scholarship Grant for Prospective Educators (VCU Chapter)**
Sponsored by the VCU Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa, the PDK Scholarship Grant is awarded to an excellent education student who is interested in teaching or professional education as a career. The primary criteria used to select the recipient will include scholarship, recommendations, written expression, interest in teaching or professional education as a career, and school and community activities.

- Undergraduate student
- Graduate student

**Phi Kappa Phi Graduate Scholarships**
For this university-wide scholarship, applicants must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.8 and expect to be enrolled full-time for both semesters of the award year.

- Minimum GPA 3.8
- Plan to be enrolled full-time for both semesters of the award year

**Meadows L. Phillips and Thomas H. Weatherford Veterans Scholarship**
This scholarship was established in 2011 through a memorial gift from Joyce and David Phillips (B.S. ’76, M.B.A. ’82) in memory of his father, Meadows L. Phillips, and in honor of his cousin, Thomas H. Weatherford.

- Undergraduate student
- Graduate student

**LeEtta (Lee) Pratt Merit Scholarship**
The Pratt Merit Scholarship was established in memory of Dr. Pratt’s mother, Laura Gooch Pratt, who began teaching in 1926 and was a special education teacher for many years.

- Outstanding academic performance
- Indicated an interest in teaching children in special education classrooms

**Richard J. Rezba Scholarship in Science Education**
The Rezba Scholarship was established in 2003 to honor Dick Rezba on his retirement. Dr. Rezba is a nationally known science educator who has long been considered the most outstanding science educator in Virginia.

- Enrolled full-time in science education program
- Must be in the M.T. or M.Ed. in Curriculum & Instruction program

**Sally A. Schumacher Dissertation Fund**
Dr. Sally A. Schumacher, the first full-time faculty member in educational research and evaluation, has created this fund in memory of her parents, Professor F.X. Schumacher and Mrs. M.M. Schumacher.

- Enrolled in a doctoral program
- Working on dissertation research

**The Seyfarth Family Scholarship**
The Seyfarth Family Scholarship was established in memory of Susanna Seyfarth by her husband, Dr. John T. Seyfarth, and by other surviving family members and close friends.

- Minimum GPA 3.5
- Enrolled in the Educational Leadership Track of the Ph.D. in Education program
- Commitment to a career in public education

**John A. Van de Walle Professional Development Fund**
The John A. Van de Walle Professional Development Fund was established by the Van de Walle Family in 2009. The late Dr. John A. Van de Walle was one of the most renowned mathematics educators in the country. Dr. Van de Walle spent most of his career at the VCU School of Education where he was Professor Emeritus and for 29 years taught mathematics education to pre-service and in-service teachers.

This fund will award monies up to $1,000 to pay for registration, travel, and hotel costs for the National Council of Teachers in Mathematics Regional Conferences. The winner may also use the funds for the National Conference. Monies from this fund may be applied for in multiple years providing the student remains in good academic standing as determined by the School of Education Scholarship Committee.

- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrated commitment to math education in a K-8 environment
- Students enrolled in the M.T. program, who demonstrate a strong interest in K-8 mathematics education, will be eligible to apply.
- Students in the Master of Interdisciplinary Studies K-8 Mathematics Specialist Program are also eligible and encouraged to apply.
- A preference will be given to students who demonstrate a specific interest in elementary
**John A. Van de Walle Scholarship**
The late Dr. John A. Van de Walle, one of the most renowned mathematics educators in the country, established this endowed scholarship in 2002. Dr. Van de Walle spent most of his career at the VCU School of Education where he was Professor Emeritus, and for 29 years, taught mathematics education to pre-service and in-service teachers. In addition, students in the K-8 Mathematics Specialist Program, who are not recipients of National Science Foundation funding, are also eligible to apply.

**Virginia Teaching Scholarship Loan Program**
The Virginia Teaching Scholarship Loan Program is supported by appropriations from the Virginia General Assembly, and availability of this award is based on that funding. The scholarship loan program is an incentive to students interested in pursuing a teaching career in a public school setting in a critical shortage area in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Upon graduation and contract employment as a certified teacher in a critical shortage area, a portion of the original award will be forgiven for each year a recipient teaches in the public schools of Virginia. In the event a recipient is no longer enrolled full- or part-time, does not complete the teacher education program, or does not teach in a public school in Virginia, the award reverts to a loan status and repayment must be arranged immediately. Students who are nominated to receive this award will be required to sign a promissory note because of the potential for the award to revert to loan status.

The application deadline for 2016 has not yet been determined. Students will be informed of the application process once information is received from the Virginia Department of Education.

**Rizpah Welch Scholarship**
Established in the spring of 1997, the Welch Scholarship honors Dr. Rizpah L. Welch for her many contributions to the School of Education and the field of special education.

**Vicki Godsey White Scholarship in Special Education**
This scholarship was created in 2008 by Vicki Godsey White (B.S. 75, M.Ed. '82) who dedicated her career to early childhood special education.

**Gaynelle Whitlock Scholarship**
The Whitlock Scholarship honors the late Dr. Gaynelle Whitlock, former associate dean of the School of Education. It was established by Dr. Whitlock's friends and colleagues in the fall of 2000 to honor her many accomplishments as an educator and her contributions to the VCU community. The recipient shall be one who plans to work in Virginia, with preference given to students from the vicinity of Mineral, Va., or plan to work in that geographic area.

**Mary Ann Wright Scholarship in Educational Leadership**
This scholarship was endowed in 2014 by Mary Ann Wright (M.Ed.'84, Ph.D. '97). The scholarship will be made available to support any student enrolled as a degree-seeking student in a graduate program who plans to pursue a career in K-12 school leadership. Candidates for the scholarship will be considered based on financial need.

**Thomas L. Wright Scholarship in Teacher Education**
This scholarship honors the memory of Thomas L. Wright (B.S. '84, mathematics education

- Demonstrate financial need
- Excellent academic achievement
- Enrolled in Elementary Education Master of Teaching program
- Display a strong interest in mathematics education
- Students in K-8 Mathematics Specialist program may also be eligible

- Must be admitted into teacher preparation program
- Minimum GPA 2.7
- Must be nominated by the School
- Candidates must meet one or more of the following criteria:
  1. be enrolled at least half-time in a program leading to an endorsement in a critical shortage areas (Special Education, Elementary Education, English, Middle Education, Foreign Language, Mathematics Education (6-12), Science Education, School Counselor or Health and Physical Education);
  2. be a male teacher candidate in an elementary education program;  
  or
  3. be a minority teacher candidate enrolled in any teacher endorsement areas

- Minimum GPA 3.0
- Must major in a special education program
- Enrolled full-time during the period of the award

- Enrolled in master's or Ph.D. program studying early childhood special education
- Students seeking funding for travel to professional conferences related to early childhood special education are eligible to apply.

- Pursuing a master's degree in Counselor Education with intent to become an elementary school counselor
- Outstanding scholastic achievement and dedication to counselor education
- Demonstrate financial need
- Committed to high moral standards in counseling
- Plans to work in Virginia

- Enrolled as a degree-seeking graduate student in K-12 leadership program
- Demonstrate financial need

- Acceptance into teacher preparation program
M.T. ’99) who was a distinguished teacher of history. After his 2008 passing, this scholarship was funded by gifts from friends, co-workers, and family members.

**Graduate student**

- Must be enrolled as a degree-seeking student seeking a career in K-12 education
- Preference will be given to candidates with an interest in teaching History or Social Studies
- Candidates for the scholarship will be considered based on financial need

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### 50th Anniversary Urban Education Scholarship

The 50th Anniversary Scholarship was created to support students willing to pursue careers in urban or high need educational settings.

**Graduate student**

- Must be accepted to graduate program in the School of Education

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### School of Education Faculty Organization Scholarship

Applicants must be enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program in the School of Education, plan to enroll in a minimum of six hours per semester during the year of the award, and demonstrate potential to be competent professionals in their intended field.

**Undergraduate student**

- Must be enrolled in at least 6 credits each semester of the award year
- Potential to be a competent professional in intended field
- Demonstrate financial need
- Undergraduate applicants must be accepted into teacher preparation program in order to be eligible

**Graduate student**

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### *Department of Teaching and Learning Scholarship*

The Department of Teacher and Learning Scholarship is awarded to a student who is enrolled in the teacher preparation program and plans to pursue a teaching career working with children and youth.

**Undergraduate student**

- Minimum GPA 3.0
- Admitted to teacher preparation program
- Must be enrolled in at least 6 credits each semester of the award year
- Replace essay (#22) listed on application instructions with: Define your unique under-served target population. Include skills, training, experience, and interest in working with target population.

**Graduate student**

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### School of Education Alumni Council Scholarship

Applicants must be enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program in the School of Education. This scholarship will be awarded on both potential academic contributions to the field of education and financial need.

**Undergraduate student**

- Demonstrate financial need
- Potential academic contributions to the field of education
- Undergraduate applicants must be accepted into teacher preparation program in order to be eligible

**Graduate student**