Guidelines for Students and Professors for Vertical Flight Foundation Technical Scholarships

The American Helicopter Society's philanthropic arm, the Vertical Flight Foundation (VFF), was founded in 1967. The Foundation is an independent charitable trust, governed by a Board of Trustees, for the support of education in rotorcraft and vertical-takeoff-and-landing (VTOL) aircraft engineering. The Foundation's operations are made possible solely by tax deductible donations. Each year the VFF awards scholarships to students who demonstrate an interest in pursuing engineering careers in the vertical flight industry. The Foundation has awarded nearly 400 scholarships to students from throughout the world in the four decades since it was established.

The scholarships are merit-based and are awarded once as an Undergraduate, once as a Master's student and once as a Ph.D. student. Applicants must be in school through the full academic year following receipt of the scholarship. The value of the scholarships may range from \$1,000 - \$5,000 depending upon endowment earnings.

To be eligible for a scholarship, you must

- Be a full-time student at an accredited school of engineering and be in school through the following full academic year.
- Complete the entire Application for Scholarship (Sections I, II, III and IV). Please note
 that a resume is now required. Please follow the template accurately and concisely.
 You may download a copy of the VFF application from our web site at
 http://www.vtol.org/education/vertical-flight-foundation-scholarships. Please note
 that you must download the form to your desktop or hard drive in order to save the
 application.
- Please submit the application in electronic format to <a href="https://nc.goo.nc.nc.goo
- As noted above, a resume is now required and the narrative is still required. Please indicate on the Resume Template page whether you have inserted the resume into the application document or whether it is coming in a separate email.
- Submit an official grade transcript (including the most recent set of grades issued).
- At least one letter of reference shall be from a professor very familiar with you and your course work. The professor should have a discussion/statement as to where you stand in regard to the students he/she has taught in his/her career and state if you are in the top 5, 10 or 25% of your class based on his/her experience with all of his/her students (past and present). It is imperative that your professor knows these updated guidelines so share this information with your professor.

Other information

- The applicant need not be a member of the AHS.
- Applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee. The Foundation will award several scholarships annually, unless there are no qualified applicants.

- Information related to the applicant's citizenship, sex or age is used for statistical analyses only.
- Scholarship recipients will be notified by the Vertical Flight Foundation by April 15th.

Weighting Factors

•	Experience (work history, research, paper publications from resume)	35%
•	Narrative	25%
•	Letter(s) of Reference (See guidelines for professors)	20%
•	Academics	10%
•	Extra Curricula Activities (from resume)	10%

Student Checklist – All must be postmarked or emailed before midnight on February 1

Ш	Application
	Narrative
	Resume
	Transcripts
	Professor(s) Recommendation