



## College/University 2018 Scholarships for Women

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) is a national organization that advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

AAUW Roanoke Valley Branch funds scholarships for women who are:

- Currently enrolled students who will complete high school in the 2017-2018 academic year.
- 21 years or older and are high school graduates who have not previously obtained a bachelor's degree.
- Graduated from high school and currently enrolled in an accredited college or university pursuing a career in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) – The *Myrtle and Norman Shifflett Scholarship for Women*.
- Graduated from high school and currently enrolled in an accredited college or university pursuing a career in the humanities. The *Dorothy Kayser Provine Scholarship for Women*.

### Eligibility

Any woman matching the eligibility of one of the scholarships listed above and who resides in the Cities of Roanoke or Salem, the Town of Vinton, or the Counties of Roanoke, Botetourt or Craig may apply for a scholarship. Applicants who may qualify for more than one of the scholarships listed above can **apply for only one**.

### Applications

Applications are available in area high school guidance departments, college or university financial offices and online at the AAUW Roanoke Valley website: <http://roanokevalley-va.aauw.net> or by sending an email to: [melody.blankenship@gmail.com](mailto:melody.blankenship@gmail.com). Please follow the directions in the application packet carefully. The following supplemental documents must be included with the completed application.

- Essay required by the scholarship for which you are applying
- Copy of official high school or college transcripts
- Three letters of recommendation
- Latest federal income tax form filed by you and, if you are listed as their dependent, your parent(s).

**All applications must be postmarked by March 9, 2018. Mail all documents required for application to: (*Please note new address*)**

**Melody Blankenship  
ATTN: AAUW Roanoke Branch  
2311-G Broadway Ave, SW  
Roanoke, VA 24014**

**Incomplete applications or applications postmarked past the deadline will not be considered.**

Scholarship recipients will be notified of their award no later than April 2018. The funds must be used by the end of the 2018-2019 academic year and are not renewable.

Recipients will be honored at the AAUW Roanoke Valley Scholarship Awards Meeting Saturday, **May 19, 2018**; participation is required.

For questions about the scholarship application process, please check our website at <http://roanokevalley-va.aauw.net>, send an email to mail to: [melody.blankenship@gmail.com](mailto:melody.blankenship@gmail.com) or call 540-556-7971.

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**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN, ROANOKE VALLEY  
WOMEN'S 2018 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**Instructions**

*(Read very carefully and follow exactly)*

**Student Name**

Ms.(Mrs.) \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name MI

Choose the **ONE** scholarship for which you wish to apply. **APPLICATION DEADLINE: March 9, 2017.** The application must be post marked **no later** than the deadline.

I am applying for the (CHECK ONLY THE **ONE** SCHOLARSHIP FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING)

- \$1,000 Scholarship for currently enrolled female students who will complete high school in the 2017-2018 academic year.
- \$1,500 Scholarship for women who are high school graduates, 21 years or older and who have not previously obtained a bachelor's degree.
- \$1,500 Myrtle and Norman Shifflett Scholarship for women who are currently enrolled in an accredited college or university pursuing a career in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM)
- \$2,000 Dorothy Kayser Provine Scholarship for women who are currently enrolled in an accredited college or university pursuing a career in the Humanities.



**MARK APPROPRIATE CHOICE**

Level you will be entering in college:

Freshman\_\_\_\_ Sophomore\_\_\_\_ Junior\_\_\_\_ Senior\_\_\_\_ Graduate School \_\_\_\_

List in order of your preference the accredited colleges or universities to which you have applied and complete the additional information.

Name of College or Institution	Type of Institution (2yr, 4yr, other)	Accepted? Yes/No/Pending	Est. cost per year (Tuition, Room & Board)
			\$
			\$
			\$
			\$

Degree you will be pursuing:

AA\_\_\_\_ AS\_\_\_\_ BA\_\_\_\_ BS\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_

Field of Study \_\_\_\_\_

Enrollment status if you are **not** enrolling as a full-time student.

\_\_\_Part-time (6-11 credit hours)                      \_\_\_Less than part-time (Less than 6 hours)  
 How many hours will you be taking? \_\_\_\_\_ How many hours will you be taking? \_\_\_\_\_

**Academic, Scholarship, Leadership, Community, Sports, Faith Activities, Club, Student Government, Volunteer Work etc.**

Include approximate number of hours spent in each activity. List the complete name of the activity, no acronyms, please.

<i>Activity</i>	<i>Hours Spent per</i>	<i>Circle one</i>
_____	_____	week/month/year/one time only
_____	_____	week/month/year/one time only
_____	_____	week/month/year/one time only
_____	_____	week/month/year/one time only
_____	_____	week/month/year/one time only
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**Honors Received**

<i>Name of Honor</i>	<i>Sponsor (school or organization)</i>	<i>Year Received</i>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

**Employment**

*Employer*

*Job Description*

*Supervisory  
Positions Held*

*Date of  
Employment*

_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

If you have anything to add that you think is relevant to the committee's understanding of your abilities, please use this space:



## FINANCIAL AID ASSISTANCE QUESTIONNAIRE

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Last 4 digits of SS#** \_\_\_\_\_

### INCOME, EXPENSES, AND ASSET DATA

This information is required to assess the financial need of each applicant. Please complete the student information section of this form. If you are a **dependent student**, you must also have your parents complete the parent section. Use federal income tax returns for the latest year filed. If you are an **independent student**, information about you and your spouse, if applicable, must be included. It will be treated as confidential information and used only for the purpose of applicant evaluation by the AAUW Scholarship Committee

	Parent/Spouse	Student
Annual adjusted gross income	\$ _____	\$ _____

Total number of people living in the household **including those who are not** dependents \_\_\_\_\_

FINANCIAL RESOURCES	YES/NO/PENDING	TOTAL AMOUNT Of AWARD (Anticipated or actual)
Financial aid from your college/university		
Grants		
Scholarships List in the Name of Scholarship box on the next page		
Loans		
Work study		
Tuition waiver		
Veteran's educational benefits		
Tuition reimbursement from employer		
Savings		
Other		



Part of the criteria for receiving one of these scholarships is financial need. Describe personal or family circumstances that make it necessary for you to seek financial aid for your education. If you and your family have unusual circumstances, such as illnesses, unemployment, etc. that affect income, please include those as well. Please limit your response to the space in the box below.

**CERTIFICATION**

I/We certify that the information in this financial aid application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information may result in disqualification and/or termination of any scholarship granted. I/We will supply any additional information AAUW Roanoke Branch Scholarship Committee may request.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT (SPOUSE) SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_



**ESSAY INSTRUCTIONS:** Essay topics are specified below for each of these funds. Your essay is extremely important and should be typed **DOUBLE SPACED, WITH THE PAGE NUMBER, YOUR NAME AND THE NAME OF THE SCHOLARSHIP FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING IN THE TOP, LEFT-HAND CORNER OF EACH PAGE.** Please follow directions carefully.

- \$1,000 Scholarship for currently enrolled female students who will complete high school in the 2017-2018 academic year.*  
**Essay Topic: Why are you deserving of this scholarship OTHER THAN FOR FINANCIAL REASONS? (Maximum 1 page)**
- \$1,500 Scholarship for women high school graduates who are 21 years or older and who have not previously obtained a bachelor's degree.*  
**Essay Topic: What are your reasons for seeking a college education and why are scholarship funds important? (Maximum 2 pages)**
- \$1,500 Myrtle and Norman Shifflett Scholarship for women currently enrolled in an accredited college or university who are pursuing a career in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM).*  
**Essay Topic: Give your reasons for wanting to enter a STEM field, the area you plan to pursue, and why you are applying for the scholarship OTHER THAN FINANCIAL REASONS. (Maximum 2 pages)**
- \$2,000 Dorothy Kayser Provine Scholarship for women currently enrolled in an accredited college or university who are pursuing a career in the humanities.*  
**Essay Topic: In today's high-tech world, what are your reasons for pursuing a career in the humanities? (Maximum 2 pages).**

Please insert your essay after this page.

**ALL APPLICANTS: Complete all pages of the application and any supplemental forms/essays as required. Check list below.**

1. If you are a high school student, make sure a School Official/Guidance Counselor submits an official high school transcript.
2. If you have graduated from high school and have never been enrolled in college, you must attach a copy of your high school transcript.
3. If you are currently enrolled in college, you must attach a copy of your college transcript. If you have only been enrolled for one semester, please submit whatever school record is available.
4. If it is the policy of the school you attend not to give official school records to students, then these records may come directly from the school providing they arrive before the deadline.
5. You must have three (3) recommendation letters. **All** recommendations should be given to you by the writer in a sealed envelope. Send **all** the envelopes to the American Association of University Women Roanoke Branch (AAUW), unopened and in one packet. Recommendation letters that are sent separately must arrive by the deadline or your application will be considered incomplete and will not be reviewed. (Do not submit letters from a relative or family member).
6. 2016 or latest federal income tax return filed by your parents (if you are a dependent) as well as your own if you were required to file. (DO NOT INCLUDE W-2 OR SCHEDULES). Do not submit a Student Aid Report (SAR)
7. Completed Application. **DO NOT STAPLE YOUR APPLICATION OR ITS ATTACHMENTS.**

**APPLICANT STATEMENT: I certify that I have read and understand the scholarship application instructions and requirements stated above.**

**Applicant's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

Mail application to:

Melody Blankenship  
AAUW Roanoke Branch  
2311-G Broadway Ave.  
Roanoke, VA 24014  
Phone: 540-556-7971

Faxed or emailed applications will not be accepted.

**Application deadline is March 9, 2018**

This is a postmark deadline.

**APPLICANT STATEMENT**

I certify that the information in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, complete and accurate. I understand that false statements on this application will disqualify me from a scholarship. In addition, I understand that the information contained in my application may be shared with the scholarship committee, the AAUW Board of Directors or scholarship sponsor. If selected as a scholarship recipient, AAUW Roanoke Branch has my permission to use my photograph and any general non-financial information included in this application for publicity purposes. I further certify that, if funds are received, they will be used for the educational purposes for which they are granted. I also give permission for my high school or college to release any information necessary to process my application.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the AAUW Roanoke Valley Scholarship Program?

- \_\_\_\_\_ School Guidance Office
- \_\_\_\_\_ School Event (Financial Aid Night/College Night)
- \_\_\_\_\_ AAUW Website
- \_\_\_\_\_ Internet
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other – please specify \_\_\_\_\_