



VCU College of Humanities and Sciences

Marika L. Byrd Scholarship Application Form

The Marika L. Byrd Scholarship was established by Ms. Marika L. Byrd, who completed the Bachelor of General Studies Program in 1992. Ms. Byrd has served as president of the Nontraditional Studies Alumni Council and on the Board of Directors of the VCU Alumni Association. Award criteria are indicated below:

- Student must be a Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies major.
- Student must possess and maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0. (Copy of unofficial transcript is required.)
- Student must be enrolled at the time award distribution is made available.
- Student must submit a double-spaced essay (approximately 500 words) addressing the barriers, if any, he/she has overcome while working toward a degree; plans for completing education; participation in school/community activities; and how the degree will fulfill long-term career goals. The essay must be attached to this application with the student's name clearly printed at the top of the page.
- Student must submit two letters of recommendation from VCU teaching faculty. (Please ask faculty to cite the title of this scholarship, Marika L. Byrd Scholarship, in their letters of recommendation).

Application materials must be submitted to the Office of the Dean in a single package containing the originals and two copies each of the following: application form, essay, unofficial transcript and two reference letters by March 1 at 5 p.m.

Applicant information

Name: _____ Student ID No.: V _____ Current GPA: _____
(unofficial transcript required)

Major: _____ Anticipated graduation/semester date: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Permanent address: _____
Street or P.O. Box number

_____ City _____ State _____ ZIP code

If awarded this scholarship, I understand that I will be required to:

- Be enrolled in the College of Humanities and Sciences during the academic period for which the award is made available.
- Maintain the required academic performance set forth in the scholarship guidelines. (Scholarship may be revoked if requirements are not met.)
- Write a letter of thanks to the donor(s) of the scholarship(s), attend recognition events when invited and participate in other stewardship activities when asked.
- Give the university permission to release information about me for donor stewardship and award purposes.
- Give the university permission to use my photograph or quotes in publications and for stewardship purposes.

Signature _____ Date _____

Submit completed application package to:
 VCU College of Humanities and Sciences
 Office of the Dean
 Scholarship Awards Committee
 828 West Franklin Street
 P.O. Box 842019
 Richmond, Virginia 23284-2019

Have you enclosed the originals and ...

- Two copies of the application form?
- Two copies of the essay?
- Two copies of the transcript?
- Two copies of the reference letters?

Due date is March 1 at 5 p.m. Incomplete applications will not be given consideration. No exceptions will be made.