



Oklahoma Forest Heritage Center
Fred Dierks Education Scholarship Application

For College Forestry Students

The Oklahoma Forest Heritage Center was established in 1976 for the purpose of supporting and promoting Oklahoma's forestry community. The Forest Heritage Centers goal is to provide quality educational opportunities and experiences in the benefits of sound forest practice with respect to the production of forest products; wildlife enhancement; recreational enhancement; and the environmental benefits of forest. The Forest Heritage Center provides quality learning experiences in these areas through collaboration with trusted members of Oklahoma's forestry community and its stakeholders.

In a continuing effort to support the professional development of future foresters for Oklahoma, the Forest Heritage Center sponsors a \$1,500 scholarship to a college undergraduate student. The scholarship is available to all students currently enrolled as a second semester freshmen or higher grade level. The student must be enrolled in a forestry program in one of Oklahoma's institutes of higher education and maintain at least a 3.0 grade point on a 4.0 scale.

Applicant's Contact Information

Last name: _____ First name: _____

Mailing address:

Phone #: _____

Email address: _____

Scholarship Application Requirements and Necessary Documentation:

- Proof of enrollment in a forestry program in one of Oklahoma's institutions for higher education. The enrollment must be for the fall semester of the current calendar year.
- The student must provide proof of their current grade point average.
- A brief summary of extracurricular activities in/or related to forestry.
- The student must submit an original essay titled: The Impact and Future Potential of Oklahoma's Forestland. (No minimum length)
- Two letters of reference.

Scholarship Application Submission

- Applications will be available on the Forest Heritage Center Facebook page, and by email request.
 - The application packet may be returned via mail, electronically via email, or hand delivered to the front desk of the Forest Heritage Center located in Beavers Bend State Park; marked C/O FHC Board.
 - A deposit of the \$1,500 award payment will be made in the awardee's bursars account. The deposit will be made upon proof of enrollment in the fall semester, provided by applicant.
 - The FHC Board of Directors will select the recipient of the scholarship based on standardized point-based grading scale. Scores will be based on completeness of the application packet and ability to follow instructions, the quantity and quality of forestry based extracurricular activities performed, and the quality and thoughtfulness given to the essay submitted.
 - The scholarship recipient will be honored at the annual at the FHC Forestry Luncheon in September of the current year.
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- Please return application on or before **June 30th, 2025**