ROBERT W. WOODRUFF
DEAN’S ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP
2020

Virtual Info Sessions
June 17, 4:00-5:00 pm ET
July 16, 9:00-10:00 am ET
$105 MILLION GIFT
1979
ROBERT W. WOODRUFF
“INVEST IN PEOPLE”
WOODRUFF SCHOLAR QUALITIES

1. FORCEFUL & UNSELFISH CHARACTER
2. INTELLECTUAL & PERSONAL VIGOR
3. OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT
4. IMPRESSIVE SKILLS IN COMMUNICATION
5. CREATIVITY & LEADERSHIP IN COMMUNITY
6. POTENTIAL TO ENRICH LIFE AT EMORY & BEYOND
AWARDS

• 20-25 applicants (EC + OX) will be awarded a named merit scholarship of $10,000 per year ($5,000/semester).

• Four applicants (3 EC & 1 OX) will be awarded a Robert W. Woodruff merit scholarship covering full tuition, fees, room and board, plus membership in the Emory Scholars Program.

• All scholarships will start in spring semester 2021 and are renewable for up to four additional semesters.
ELIGIBILITY

• Enrolled full-time as a first-year student in Emory OR Oxford College in Fall 2019 & Spring 2020
  • To apply, must also be enrolled full-time in EC or OX in Fall 2020

• Cumulative GPA of at least 3.75 by the start of the Fall 2020 semester
  • S/U grades in Spring 2020 will not, in and of themselves, negatively impact an application. Grades will be evaluated holistically across all semesters.
IMPORTANT DATES

• Application portal opens **July 20** (AcademicWorks)

• All application materials due **Sunday, October 4** by 11:59 pm

• Finalists interviewed **mid November**

• Award notifications sent by **December 4**

• *Woodruff Dean’s Achievement Scholars will be required to attend the annual all-scholar retreat January 5-9, 2021*
APPLICATION
DUE OCTOBER 4, 11:59 PM ET

• General Info
• Three essays focused on Scholar Qualities
• Current resume
• Unofficial transcript
• Name & email of at least one academic recommender
  • *Option to complete online recommendation form or upload a letter of recommendation*
A strong application will provide concrete evidence that you:

• Have made *extraordinary contributions* to the academic, intellectual, and extracurricular life of Emory’s community
• Have a record of *outstanding academic achievement*
• Possess the desired *qualities of a Woodruff Scholar*
• **REQUIRED:** One academic recommendation from an Emory University instructor (faculty member or graduate instructor of record) that can comment knowledgeably on your qualifications.

• **ENCOURAGED** (but optional): An additional recommendation focused on your extracurricular achievements through Campus Life, other campus organizations, or off-campus activities.
  
  • May be Emory staff (or faculty when relevant, e.g. student org advisor) or staff of external organization. **Cannot be a peer.**
EMORY RESUME

• Include only experiences during time at Emory
• Academic activities, extracurricular activities, and/or paid work
  • Include name of organization/activity, role and dates of involvement, & descriptions of your responsibilities and accomplishments.
• Awards/Honors
• 2 pages maximum
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Additional Benefits
SCHOLAR ADVISING

Three-year conversation about who you are – and who you want to become
Inspired by Robert W. Woodruff’s legacy, the Emory Scholars Program fosters a community that supports each member to:

- build an intellectual and social network,
- develop and tell their story,
- and contribute to the common good.
SUMMER GLOBAL INTERNSHIPS
SINGAPORE
SUMMER RESEARCH
ROCKY MT BIOLOGICAL LABORATORY
SUMMER INTERNSHIP
NYU MED CENTER – ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY
SCHOLARSHIP AND SERVICE (SAS) SUMMER PROGRAM
ATLANTA CITY HALL
TRAVEL GRANTS
UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY
SCHOLAR TRIPS
WASHINGTON, D.C.
PEER MENTORING
PIZZA & PAINTING WITH BOB ROSS
SCHOLARS LOUNGE

BIRTHDAY SCHOLAR SNACKS
SCHOLAR-LED EVENTS (SLES)
CHATTAHOOCHEE RIVER HIKE
SERVICE DAYS
MLK DAY
ANNUAL RETREAT
TEAM BUILDING
TIPS

• Before writing the essays:
  • Think of specific examples demonstrating that you possess the Scholar Qualities
  • Reflect on how you have contributed to Emory’s community
  • Consider how your goals align with the Scholar Qualities.
    • How would you use the Woodruff Scholarship to make a positive impact at Emory and beyond?
• Get resume guidance from the Emory Career Center
TIPS FOR SECURING RECOMMENDATIONS

• Ask ASAP and share timeline!
  • explain why you think they are the best person to evaluate your qualifications.
• If they say YES:
  • Prepare them:
    • Make it easy: put ALL the info they need in an email
    • Enter names & contact info in application portal asap
    • Share your draft application materials with them
  • Remind them, remind them, remind them.
• THANK them & follow-up with results
QUESTIONS?