

# SCHOLARSHIP INSTRUCTIONS FOR STUDENTS



## Prepare

- ✓ Gather your current transcript and resume or curriculum vitae, and list of externships.
- ✓ Notify your references that you are applying and provide them with the **Instructions for Scholarship References** document.  
Note: The Coyote Rock Ranch scholarship also requires a personal reference.

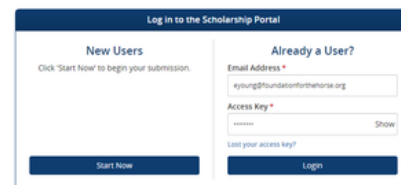


## Apply

The Foundation uses **Cadmiun** to collect and review a **single online application** for all scholarships based on graduation year.



Welcome to the Foundation for the Horse Scholarship Submission Site  
You will need to create an account and complete the "Account Profile" form to provide your contact information and your required submission details. Click Start Now below to begin.



Log in to the Scholarship Portal

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1. Create an account & complete the **Account Profile**.

2. **Start a New Application**

Applicant Name Field: enter your **LAST NAME, FIRST NAME** in ALL CAPS.

Choose the **Scholarship Type** based on your graduation year.



You can save and return to the application at any time, but you must click the "continue" or "save" buttons that appear at the top right or end of every task. This is especially important in the essay task. You can return to any task and edit it before final submission.

3. Complete the **Task List**. All tasks must be completed before you can **Save Application**.



**Applicant Information** Provide general contact and career information.



Tasks can be completed in any order - except for **Task: Reference Contacts** which must be completed before **Task: Recommendation**. Invite your references (task 6) **EARLY**, so they have ample time to complete their portion of the recommendation.

## Upload - Resume, Transcript, Externships

- **Transcript** - Official transcripts are not required; however, your transcript must be current and easily readable. Preferred file is PDF format, screen shots will not be accepted.
- **Resume or Curriculum Vitae** - Include your equine and veterinary experience, along with community and scholastic leadership experience. Document should not to exceed two pages. Preferred file is PDF or Word format.
- **List of Externships** - Include completed and future scheduled externships. List the Practice, dates, and if completed the areas of practice you observed/participated in. Preferred file is PDF or Word format.



**Essay Questions** Provide additional information about yourself through the following essay questions, each limited to 350 words.

### Prompts for Third-Year scholarships

- Ambition & Career Goals: The First Five Years
- Leadership in the Equine Veterinary Community
- Challenges in Equine Veterinary Medicine

See below for additional information.

### Prompts for Fourth-Year scholarships

- Ambition & Career Goals: The First Five Years
- Challenges in Equine Veterinary Medicine
- Role of Mentorship in Equine Veterinary Medicine
- Professional Advocacy and Leadership in Equine Veterinary Medicine



**Reference Contacts** Here you will invite your references to add to your application.

### Required Recommendations


- Clinical Instructor
- AAEP Private Practitioner
- Personal Reference (Fourth-Year only)



After you click "invite" your reference, they will receive an email from [noreply@goCadmium.com](mailto:noreply@goCadmium.com) with a direct link to create a profile and complete their recommendation for your application. **Remind them to check junk & spam folders.**



**Recommendation** This task is for your invited references.

Applicants are responsible for monitoring the completion of their references. Content of the recommendation is NOT visible to applicants. A  indicates a complete recommendation.

### References are asked to evaluate the following skills:

- Horse Handling
- Critical / Clinical reasoning
- Teamwork / Collaboration
- Dependability / Honesty
- Client Communication
- Leadership
- Self-reliance / Work Independently
- Common sense



## Acknowledgement

Here you will acknowledge that falsification of information may lead to your disqualification from the scholarship selection process.

- 4. Applicants** are responsible for insuring all tasks, including recommendations, are complete before they can **Save Application**.



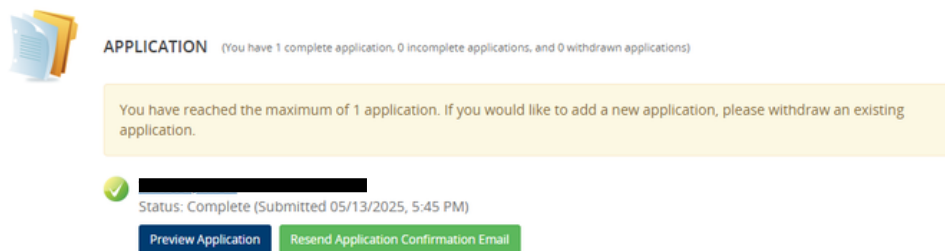
You can monitor your references progress and send reminders by clicking the invite button. Once all are complete, you **MUST** click the “complete task” button.

- 5. Review your application summary and click Submit**

To officially submit your application for review, click **Submit** on the **APPLICATION SUMMARY** page.



Once **FULLY SUBMITTED**, you will receive an email receipt of your application. Your “Home” page will look like this.



## Application DUE: May 15, 2026

**NOTE:** References are asked to complete their recommendations by May 12, 2026 to provide applicants time to review before final submission.

## Essay Questions for Third-Year Scholarships

### **Ambition & Career Goals: The First Five Years**

As you embark on your journey as an equine veterinarian, the first five years after graduation are critical for building your expertise and establishing your impact within the profession.

Describe your career goals during this period. What areas of equine medicine do you plan to focus on and discuss the steps you are taking to achieve these goals and how this scholarship will support your journey.

What inspired you to pursue this path, and how do you plan to make a meaningful impact on the health and well-being of horses?

### **Leadership in the Equine Veterinary Community**

The field of equine veterinary medicine relies on compassionate, skilled, and forward-thinking leaders to advance animal care, support fellow veterinarians, and advocate for the equine industry.

Describe a time when you demonstrated leadership within the equine or veterinary community. How did your actions positively impact others, and what lessons did you learn from the experience? Additionally, explain how you plan to continue developing your leadership skills to support the future of equine healthcare.

### **Challenges in Equine Veterinary Medicine**

The equine veterinary field is continuously evolving, with advancements in medicine, technology, and research shaping the future of equine care.

Identify a current issue within the equine veterinary community, whether its within veterinary medicine and research or industry culture and practice that excites, challenges or inspires you. Why does this issue resonate with you, and how do you plan to contribute to addressing or advancing this area in your future career as an equine veterinarian?

Third-Year essays continued...

## Supplemental Essays for Third-Year Scholarships

These short essay questions are specific to the following scholarship. If you are applying for these, you are strongly encouraged to complete them.

**Dr. Tom Riddle Theriogenology Scholarship** – describe in detail your long-term goals in theriogenology practice.

**Dr. Bill Rood Leadership Scholarship** – describe in detail your experience that exemplifies leadership within the equine veterinary profession.

**Dr. William H. Sweeney Memorial Scholarship** – describe in detail how you are working towards innovation\* in equine practice.

Innovation involves developing a mindset that questions the status quo and utilizes the academic environment to experiment new, creative ideas, methods, or devices into a valuable, implemented solution.

**Dr. Ty Wallis Memorial Scholarship** – describe in detail how you plan to create systems, or a community that enhances work life balance.

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### **The Role of Mentorship in Equine Veterinary Medicine**

Mentorship plays a vital role in shaping the future of equine veterinary professionals.

Reflect on a mentor who has inspired you in your journey toward becoming an equine veterinarian. What qualities made them an effective mentor, and how have they influenced your career path? Additionally, describe how you plan to support and inspire future veterinarians and contribute to the growth of the equine veterinary community.

### **Professional Advocacy and Leadership in Equine Veterinary Medicine**

Involvement in organized veterinary medicine is vital for the continued advancement of the profession, the well-being of equine patients, and the support of veterinary practitioners. As a future equine veterinarian, describe why being actively involved in organizations like the American Association of Equine Practitioners (AAEP) is important to you. What specific goals do you have for your participation in the AAEP during your first five years post-graduation.

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