

**Oklahoma Forest Heritage Center
Fred Dierks Educational 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 Center's 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 and collaboration with trusted members 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 \$1500 scholarship to a college undergraduate student. The scholarship is available to all student 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 institute of higher education and maintaining at least a 3.0 grade point on a 4.0 scale.

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 in 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 entitled: *The Heritage of Oklahoma's Forest and Their Future Potential*
- Two personal letters of reference
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Scholarship Application Submission

- Applications will be available on the Forest Heritage Center Facebook page, at forestry.ok.gov, the office of the Forest Heritage Center (located in Beavers Bend State Park) and the department scholarship coordinator.
- Return the necessary documentation to the office of the Forest Heritage Center. The application packet can be submitted in person at the Forest Heritage Center office located in Beavers Bend State Park, by mail, or by electronic submission in a PDF format.
- A deposit of the \$1500 award will be made in the awardee's bursar account. The deposit will be made upon enrollment in fall semester immediately following the award with proof of enrollment provided by student.
- The FHC Board of Directors will select the recipient of the scholarship based on points awarded for the completeness of the application packet, the amount and type of forest based extracurricular activities, quality of the essay submitted, and personal reference.
- The scholarship recipient will be honored at the annual at the Owa-Chito Forestry Luncheon in June of the current year.

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From: _____

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Zip Code

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Please return application, including this cover page, before March 15, 2019.