**Graduate Student Scholarship Application Packet**

**Part I: Contact and Eligibility**

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| Last Name | First Name | Middle Name | Maiden Name | UIN |
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Permanent Address

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| Street and Number | City | State | Zip Code | Phone |
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Current Address

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| Street and Number | City | State | Zip Code | Phone |
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*EDUCATION*

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| Classification | Total Hours Completed | Hours completed at TAMU |
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| Semester entered into RPTS | Expected date of graduation (semester/year) | |
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| Cumulative GPR | Major GPA | Current number of hours enrolled |
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| Expected number of hours enrolled during the next two semesters | Fall | Spring |
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Describe your area of research below. Please be specific.

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| List the scholarships for which you are applying below, one per line: | |
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#### Board of Regents – **REQUIRED**

Are you related to any current member of the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents? Applicable relationships include one of the following-

1. Regent's-- spouse, spouse's child, spouse's parent, child's spouse, parent's spouse;
2. Regent's-- spouse's brother or sister, spouse's grandparent, spouse's grandchild, brother or sister's spouse, grandparent's spouse, grandchild's spouse;
3. Regent's-- parent, daughter, son;
4. Regent's-- brother, sister, grandparent, grandchild ;or
5. Regent's-- great-grandparent, great-grandchild, uncle or aunt (brother or sister of parent) nephew or niece (son or daughter of brother or sister).

A list of current Texas A&M University System Board of Regent members can be viewed at <http://www.tamus.edu/regents/bios/>.

* No, I am not related to a Board of Regents member
* Yes - Cliff Thomas
* Yes - Elaine Mendoza
* Yes - Phil Adams
* Yes - Robert Albritton
* Yes - Jay Graham
* Yes - Michael Hernandez III
* Yes - Bill Mahomes
* Yes - Tim Leach
* Yes - Michael Plank
* Yes - Levi McClenny

**Required for Bradberry Scholarships:**

**Major Professor Assurance, Biographical-sketch, and Research Executive Summary**

The Bradberry Chair Endowment is pleased to provide scholarships to outstanding Department of Recreation, Park and Tourism Sciences Students who are conducting research on ***youth development*** and ***youth travel***, ***youth outdoor recreation participation***, ***youth outdoor education experiences***, ***youth experiences in parks***, and ***youth recreation***.

You can apply for ***either*** a $1,000 scholarship or a $1,250 scholarship. The latter of these requires you to include a 1-2 page research executive summary on a youth-relevant topic of your choice. The executive summary can be a brief summary of research on a specific topic, or it can be an review of a contemporary issue related to youth development or management of youth development organizations.

***In addition to a letter to the donor described on the next page***, the following are required for applications for a Bradberry Scholarship:

1. Candidates must secure written endorsement from their major professors (supervisory committee chairs), attesting to the students’ commitment to excellence ***and to her or his commitment to completing a publishable research project involving youth***. (The format is found later in the application)
2. Bradberry scholarship applicants must provide a high-quality biographical sketch of no more than 1-2 paragraphs. Biographical sketches and photographs of Bradberry Scholarship recipients will be published on the Bradberry Chair website. You can view examples of biographical sketches at

<https://byedl.tamu.edu/about-us/2018-scholarship-recipients/>

1. If you want to be considered for a $1,250 Bradberry scholarship ***instead of*** a $1,000 Bradberry scholarship, you must provide a high quality, 1-2 page research executive summary. Submissions that meet or exceed quality standards will be published on the Bradberry Chair website. You can view examples of research summaries at this link: <https://aglifesciences.tamu.edu/byedl/resources/research-briefs/>

**Part II: Letter to Donor**

Write a letter on the respective application page that you would send to the donor if you received a scholarship. Address your letter, “Dear \_\_\_\_\_:” Your letter should be no more than two single-spaced pages in length. In addition to your personal history, it should communicate your passion for parks, recreation, and tourism as an area of study and as a career, and it should clearly ***show the significance of the scholarship to you***.

**Part III: Resume**

Add a resume following your letter. Be sure to include your work experience, your education history, community service, and your extra-curricular activities, organizations, offices held, or special recognitions you have received while at Texas A&M.

**Part III: Photograph**

Add a photograph of you following your resume. This should be a photograph that we can share with the donor of the scholarship.

**Part IV Optional Video**

This part is optional. You are invited to prepare a brief video about yourself that we could share with the donor if you are selected to receive a scholarship. An example of a video provided by a previous student can be viewed at <http://rpts.tamu.edu/sample-scholarship-videos/>.

1. You may send your video file in a separate email to Irina Shatruk**:** [ishatruk@tamu.edu](mailto:ishatruk@tamu.edu)
2. Or you may upload your video to YouTube and send the URL address to Ms. Shatruk.

**Part V: Commitment**

**Application Packet**

**Submit your completed packet as a single MS Word document to Ms. Irina Shatruk:** [ishatruk@tamu.edu](mailto:ishatruk@ag.tamu.edu)

Submission of an application for a scholarship signals that you will do the following:

1. Attend the Department of Recreation, Park and Tourism Sciences Awards Banquet to receive recognition in person
2. Send a hand-written thank-you note to the donor of the scholarship you receive
3. Assist Ms. Shatruk with finalizing your application packet for forwarding to the donor if you are chosen to receive a scholarship. You will need to visit Ms. Shatruk in person to sign the letter to the donor and plan for mailing the packet.
4. If you are applying for a Bradberry Scholarship, you must commit to conducting thesis or dissertation research on youth or to completing a significant, publishable research project on youth.

My typed name below confirms that I commit to a., b., and c. above.

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Applicant’s name Date

**All Applicants, Write your thank-you letter to the donor here**

**[Date]**

**Dear \_\_\_\_\_\_\_:**

**Sincerely,**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***All applicants, add your resume here***

***All applicants, add a photograph here***

***Bradberry Scholarship Applicants Only***

***(Applicants who will be conducting research on youth) submit your biosketch here***

***Bradberry Scholarship Applicants Only***

***(Applicants who will be conducting research on youth) submit your advisor’s assurance page here***

***THIS PAGE ONLY MUST BE PRINTED, SIGNED, THEN SUBMITTED as a part of your application packet***

***[Date]***

***Dear Bradberry Chairholder:***

***I support [ student’s name ] for consideration for a Bradberry Scholarship. This student is committed to excellence and is committed to completing a thesis, dissertation, and/or publishable research project on youth. The topic of that project is [ topic ], and it will be a [ thesis, dissertation, or published article ].***

***I also agree to, upon request, provide the Bradberry Chair holder or the Sequor YDI coordinator with information about my*** *completed research* ***for inclusion on the Bradberry Chair website.  That information might be an abstract, a 1-2 page research brief, or a similar summary of your completed research.***

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**Advisor Name Advisor Signature Date**

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**Student Name Student Signature Date**

***Bradberry Scholarship Applicants Only***

***(Applicants who will be conducting research on youth) submit your (optional) research executive summary here***