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## About The Knights Templar Educational Foundation

### Purpose

The Knights Templar Educational Foundation – Virginia Division provides financial assistance in the form of grants to college students as they complete their undergraduate degree.

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# Who Are The Knights Templar?

## Historical Founding

Founded in 1119, the original Knights Templar was a Catholic monastic order that protected Christian pilgrims on their journeys to the Holy Land. These warrior monks also fought in the Crusades.

## Knights Templar Today

Today, the Knights Templar are a fraternal order affiliated with Freemasonry requiring a belief in Christianity. The Knights Templar of Virginia strive for self-improvement and the opportunity to make a positive difference in our communities and the world at large.



## Educational Foundation Grants for the 2024-25 Academic Year

A major goal of the Knights Templar Education Foundation – Virginia Division is to continue to increase the exposure of the Foundation to a greater number of Virginians. It is the hope of the committee that each of the five regions of the Commonwealth: Eastern, Central, Northern, Shenandoah Valley, and Southwest will be represented by grant recipients.

## Eligibility For Grants

The Knight Templar Educational Foundation – Virginia Division awards grants to rising 3rd- or 4th-year undergraduate students to assist them in completing their degree.

Candidates are considered based on financial need, academic achievement, work experience, and community involvement.

The Committee considers all applicants without regard to age, race, religion, national origin, gender, or Masonic ties or affiliation.

Applicants must be citizens of the United States and enrolled in a degree-seeking program at an accredited institution.



## The Application Process

To apply for a Knights Templar Educational Foundation grant for the 2024-25 academic year:

- Visit <https://vatemplars.org> and click on the Knights Templar Educational Foundation logo.
- Download the application and complete it ***in full***. ***Incomplete applications will not be considered.***
- Obtain an Official Transcript from your most-recently completed academic term.
- Submit completed application and required documents by mail by Friday, March 15, 2024.