

**2026-2027 GREATER VALLEY FORGE HUMAN RESOURCES ASSOCIATION
STUDENT MERIT SCHOLARSHIP AWARD APPLICATION**

Please complete this application and return it via email to gvfhracollegerelations@gmail.com

Due Date: Noon on Friday, October 16th, 2026

For any questions, please reach out to Erica Michetti at ericalmichetti@gmail.com or Lilla Fehér at lilla.feher@outlook.com

Check One:

Undergraduate Application ☐

Graduate Application ☐

For students graduating and moving on to another program/university, proof of acceptance/enrollment may be required. Scholarship recipients will be required to sign a document stating that the awarded funds will be used to pay for school-related expenses.

PART I

Contact Information

Name:

College/University:

Local Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Phone:

Email:

Student Status

Full-time

Part-time

Year in Program:

of Credits Earned as of Fall 2026:

Major:

Concentration:

Cumulative GPA (as of Fall 2026): Major: _____ Overall: _____

Anticipated Graduation Date:

PART II

A. List your academic and human resources related professional achievements during the time you have been enrolled in your current degree program. Be sure to include all SHRM student activities. List all activities you feel are pertinent. (If additional space is needed, attach a separate sheet.)

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B. Please attach a copy of your resume and a copy of your transcript (an unofficial copy will be accepted)

PART III – Essays

Essays will be evaluated for the applicant's ability to completely and thoughtfully articulate an answer to each question, as well as the ability to demonstrate experience and/or classroom learning that would enhance the applicant's candidacy for future HR roles. Please note that spelling and grammar errors will be deducted from the overall assessment of your response.

Provide your opinion and support for that opinion on the following topics:

1. List two skills you feel will be critical to success in your career as a Human Resources professional. Describe how you have already demonstrated these skills, and how you plan to develop them further.
2. Identify one trend in the Human Resources industry and how that trend will impact Human Resources in the next 3-5 years. We encourage you to explore topics beyond Artificial Intelligence. Offer an explanation for your choice.

Please keep each essay under one double-spaced, typed page. Attach your essays to this application. Please include your name, address and telephone number at the top of each page.

Recommendation letters can be submitted separately or directly by the faculty member writing the recommendation. (It is the applicant's responsibility to follow up with faculty to confirm submission of recommendation letters.)

PART IV.

Faculty Recommendation Letter

To be completed by a faculty member who can support your application for this scholarship award.

Recommendation for:

Student's Name: _____

Recommender's Name: _____

College/University: _____

Work Phone: _____

Email: _____

To the faculty member writing the recommendation: The College Relations Committee for the Greater Valley Forge Human Resources Association seeks your comments on the above-named student's academic performance, contributions to the student SHRM chapter (if applicable), contributions to community, volunteerism and overall commitment to/interest in pursuing a career in human resources. Information should be factual, based on personal knowledge/observation of the applicant.

*The Merit Scholarship Award application deadline is Friday, October 16th, 2026. **Please submit a signed letter to Erica Michetti and Lilla Fehér via email: gvfhracollegerelations@gmail.com. Please feel free to attach a separate page if necessary.***

Scholarship Application Checklist

Have you:

- 1) Completed your application?
- 2) Included a copy of your resume?
- 3) Included a copy of your most recent transcript (Spring 2026)
- 4) Included your two essay responses?
- 5) Requested a faculty recommendation?

Please note that all of the above listed items must be received no later than Friday, October 16th, 2026. If an item is missing from the application package, the application will not be considered. It is your responsibility to follow-up with faculty and the College Relations Committee to ensure that your complete application package is received. If you wish to check on the status of your application, please contact Erica Michetti and Lilla Fehér at gvfhracollegerelations@gmail.com.

Scholarship Applicant Statement **Please Read Carefully**

I authorize a representative from the Greater Valley Forge Human Resources Association to investigate any and all entries contained in this application. All entries made by me on this application are true and correct. If I am considered for the scholarship award, I understand that misrepresentation or omission of any fact called for, on this application, or any other statements made in connection with my request for the scholarship, will be sufficient cause for the scholarship to be revoked.

By signing the below, the scholarship applicant agrees that the information in this application is completely accurate and agrees to the statement above.

Scholarship Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____