



## Future Space Professionals Scholarship

The Space Force Association is a non-profit 501c(3) organization created to provide an intellectual space for discussion and debate relevant to the US Space Force and to give a voice to space professionals to contribute their ideas, opinions, and research on the pursuit of spacepower.

The Future Space Professionals Scholarship seeks to provide tuition funding to undergraduate Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics students in their junior or senior year.

The purpose of the Future Space Professionals Scholarship is to encourage students with diverse backgrounds, skills, and experiences to continue to pursue STEM education as a foundation for future service as a space professional in industry, government, or the US Space Force. The SFA values the strengths inherent in the community of space professionals when the community includes a spectrum of diversity founded on the common foundation of a STEM education.

The SFA will consider all qualified applicants for scholarship award. Required applicant qualifications:

1. Full or part-time enrollment in an accredited university.
2. Enrolled in a STEM degree program.
3. Be within 24-months of their projected graduation date.
4. Maintain a GPA of 3.4 or higher.
5. The intent to enter the community of space professionals upon graduation. The community of space professionals includes those working in STEM fields relevant to the pursuit of spacepower in industry, the US Government, private space ventures, or the US Space Force.

### Application Process

Applicants will submit the following documents to the Director, Space Education Committee, at [SFAScholarships@ussfa.org](mailto:SFAScholarships@ussfa.org) **No Later Than May 1<sup>st</sup> 2026 at 1200 Eastern Time:**

1. The attached application form in PDF format.
2. A completed statement of intent to enter the community of space professionals.

Additionally, all applicants must have a letter of recommendation from a faculty member in their STEM department which explains why the applicant is worthy of the scholarship, the duration and depth of involvement the faculty member has had in the applicant's education, and confirmation statement of the applicant's GPA. The faculty recommendation will be submitted to [SFAScholarships@ussfa.org](mailto:SFAScholarships@ussfa.org) **no Later Than May 1<sup>st</sup> 2026 at 1200 Eastern Time.**

Finally, Applicants are expected to submit essays and application materials that reflect their own experiences, perspectives, and writing ability. The limited use of artificial intelligence tools for basic editing, proofreading, or formatting assistance is permissible; however, applications that appear to rely heavily on AI-generated content rather than the applicant's original thought and voice may receive point deductions during the evaluation process. The selection committee places significant value on authenticity, personal reflection, and the applicant's demonstrated ability to clearly articulate their own ideas and experiences.

For the 2026 selection cycle there will be three awards available in the value of \$2500 each.



Name: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

University Affiliation: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Academic Department: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Degree Program: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Projected Graduation Date: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Grade Point Average (GPA): [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Research interests: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Professional experience to include work, internships, volunteer work (Organization, period): [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Active Military / Veteran (Branch, Dates of Service): [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Faculty Recommendation Provider contact information:

Name: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Professional Email: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Please respond to the four following essay prompts. Each response should be no less than 500-words and no more than 1000-words.

1. The future of space exploration is uncertain. Which technological development which can be realized in the next 10-years do you think is most important to the future of space exploration and why?  
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2. The community of space professionals is stronger when it includes a broad diversity of thought, perspective, and experience among its members. What uniqueness do you offer the community of space professionals and what thoughts, perspectives, or experiences do you bring to the community as a result?  
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3. The US Space Force will play a role in the future of the US space enterprise. What role do you consider most appropriate for the US Space Force to fulfill in the future of the US space enterprise and why?  
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4. What are your aspirations as a future space professional?  
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