



# Scholarship application

**Due: February 1**

## Henry David THOREAU FOUNDATION™

### Colleges and universities attended by our Scholars

American University  
Bates College  
Bowdoin College  
Brandeis University  
Brown University  
Carleton College  
Clark University  
Colby College  
College of the Atlantic  
College of the Holy Cross  
Columbia University  
Connecticut College  
Cornell University  
Dartmouth College  
Duke University  
Fairfield University  
Georgetown University  
Hampshire College  
Harvard University  
Macalester College  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Middlebury College  
New York University  
Northeastern University  
Oberlin College  
Princeton University  
Rice University  
Southampton College  
Stanford University  
Tufts University  
University of California  
University of Delaware  
University of Massachusetts  
University of Michigan  
University of Oxford, UK  
University of Vermont  
University of Virginia  
Wellesley College  
Wentworth Institute of Technology  
Wesleyan University  
Whitman College  
Williams College  
Worcester Polytechnic Institute  
Yale University

### Who we are

The Henry David Thoreau Foundation is dedicated to encouraging highly talented and academically successful young women and men to pursue undergraduate studies preparing them for leadership in advancing global health by protecting the environment and ensuring equitable use of the world's natural resources.

### A catalyst for action

It is critical to foster future environmental leaders. The Henry David Thoreau Foundation is dedicated to providing tuition assistance to quality graduates of Massachusetts high schools who demonstrate strong interest in environmental fields of study and clear potential for leadership. Henry David Thoreau Scholars™ have pursued their studies at many prestigious institutions, such as those listed on the left.

After they are graduated from their baccalaureate degree programs, Scholar alumni are inducted into the Henry David Thoreau Society for the Environment. This organization is an independent group of environmental leaders representing fields of study such as engineering, education, law, medicine, architecture, government, and business.

### Eligibility and selection criteria

The Henry David Thoreau Foundation attracts and sustains outstanding young leaders in diverse disciplines who will safeguard the environmental welfare of future generations. Candidates for the Henry David Thoreau Scholarship must be Massachusetts residents. The candidates must also be enrolled in, then be graduated from, a high school in Massachusetts, and begin college studies in the same year that they apply for a scholarship. Students with strong academic qualifications and a demonstrated commitment to environmental fields may apply for an undergraduate scholarship totaling up to \$30,000, usually distributed at \$7,500 per year for tuition use only, to the student's institution of choice.

### Deadline and submission information

The application due date is **February 1**. Scholarship notification takes place no later than April 30th. If additional application forms are needed, photocopy this original or download the application from [www.thoreauscholar.org](http://www.thoreauscholar.org). You may also use the on-line application found on our web site or mail completed application materials to the following address:

**Henry David Thoreau Foundation**  
265 Medford Street, Suite 102  
Somerville, MA 02143

# Application Requirements and Checklist

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## In addition to the application form, you must also provide the following items:

- Resumé, consisting of the following:
  - Extracurricular activities and athletics, including volunteer service and leadership positions.
  - Special talents, awards, honors, and accomplishments.
  - Community activities and employment, including employers' names, job titles, dates, and hours worked per week.
- Three recommendations, including one from outside high school.
- Official high school transcript and high school class profile (if class rank is not reported by the applicant's high school, a school report is required providing a comparative understanding of the applicant's academic achievement).
- Results of standardized tests (SATs and/or ACTs and Achievement Exams). Please use the ETS Code 4269 to send us the official results of your College Board Examinations.
- Statement of financial need may be requested. Financial need will be considered.
- Essay regarding your educational focus, motivations for pursuing environmental studies, experience showing commitment to the environmental field, and future goals (approximately 500 words; 1–2 double-spaced, typed pages).
- An interview may be required.

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## Additional information

- Henry David Thoreau Scholars are expected to select an accredited college or university. After enrolling and choosing any major, they are required to carry 25 percent of their undergraduate course work in subjects directly related to the environment.
- To maintain scholarship assistance, Henry David Thoreau Scholars will be required to submit an annual report of their activities in the environmental field, including academic courses. Scholars must submit an official copy of their transcript at the end of each marking period and are required to maintain more than a 2.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale to remain eligible for scholarship support.
- Henry David Thoreau Scholars are expected to secure and complete an internship in the environmental field, which commonly occurs between their junior and senior year. Upon approval by the Selection Committee, students will be eligible for a one-time \$1,000 stipend for their environmental internship.
- Henry David Thoreau Scholars are inducted into the program at an annual spring luncheon. All scholarship recipients, along with members of the Henry David Thoreau Society for the Environment, internship sponsors, and parents are strongly encouraged to attend.
- A full list of Henry David Thoreau Scholarship policies and procedures will accompany each award. For more information, please call **617.666.6900** or go to **[www.thoreauscholar.org](http://www.thoreauscholar.org)**.

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# Henry David Thoreau Scholarship Application Form

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FIRST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ MIDDLE INITIAL \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE Massachusetts ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

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(AREA CODE) & TELEPHONE # MOBILE PHONE # E-MAIL ADDRESS  
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SOCIAL SECURITY # DATE OF BIRTH ( M / D / Y ) GENDER  
 M  F

**Optional information** In accordance with its policy, the Henry David Thoreau Scholarship Fund™ provides equal opportunity in education to students of all racial and ethnic backgrounds. Please check where applicable.

I consider myself a member of the following ethnic group:

- African American / Black
- African Parentage
- Afro-Caribbean
- Asian American
- Caucasian White
- Mexican American / Chicano
- Native American  
(Alaskan, Hawaiian or American Indian)
- Puerto Rican / Other Hispanic / Latino
- Other, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

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FIRST PARENT / GUARDIAN'S NAME _____	SECOND PARENT / GUARDIAN'S NAME _____
FIRST PARENT / GUARDIAN'S OCCUPATION / JOB TITLE _____	SECOND PARENT / GUARDIAN'S OCCUPATION / JOB TITLE _____
FIRST PARENT / GUARDIAN'S EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND _____	SECOND PARENT / GUARDIAN'S EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND _____
PRINCIPAL / HEADMASTER _____	GUIDANCE COUNSELOR _____
GUIDANCE COUNSELOR'S E-MAIL ADDRESS _____	TELEPHONE # _____
HIGH SCHOOL NAME _____	CITY, STATE <u>MA</u> ZIP CODE _____
HIGH SCHOOL ADDRESS _____	
DATE OF GRADUATION _____ CLASS SIZE _____	CLASS STANDING _____

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COLLEGES / UNIVERSITIES APPLIED TO	APPLICATION DATES	ACCEPTANCE INFORMATION
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**Inspirational source** Please provide the name/title (parent, teacher, community leader, author, etc.) of the individual(s) who inspired your interest in the environmental field. In addition, include a brief description of this experience (no more than 200 words).

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In addition to the required essay, you may attach a separate sheet if necessary.

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**Learn more, contact us**

Answers to your questions and up-to-date information about the Henry David Thoreau Foundation can be found by calling **617.666.6900** or at **[www.thoreauscholar.org](http://www.thoreauscholar.org)**.

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**Policy of non-discrimination**

The Henry David Thoreau Foundation does not discriminate against individuals on the basis of race, color, gender, sexual orientation, religion, disability, age, or national or ethnic origin in the administration of its scholarship programs or other programs and activities.



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