

# NAVUB Scholarship

## Nomination & Application Packet

2023



The National Association of  
Veterans Upward Bound Programs

## NOMINATION INFORMATION

It is with great pleasure that the National Association of Veterans Upward Bound Project Personnel announces its national scholarship competition. Veterans Upward Bound participants are invited to compete for a scholarship award for the 2023-2024 academic year. Winning students will be presented with a Certificate of Merit. Payment of the scholarship will be provided once proof of enrollment and attendance is received for the following fall semester. Checks will be made payable to the students.

The following information includes all materials necessary to apply for a scholarship. Each institution is encouraged to conduct an internal competition to determine the most worthy applicant. However, only the official NAVUBPP Scholarship Application and required supporting documentation may be submitted for the national competition.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- The applicant must be a present or former participant of the Veterans Upward Bound Program from which the nomination is being made and must be admitted to or currently enrolled in an institution of postsecondary education, seeking an undergraduate degree.
- The applicant must be nominated by a NAVUBP staff person of a current member program (institutional dues paid by the required NAVUBP membership date).
- The Director, if different from the nominator, will approve the nomination, attest to the nominee's good standing, and certify that the project is an active member of NAVUBP.
- Prior to receipt of the award, the VUB Director of the scholarship recipient will provide NAVUBP with verification of the student's actual enrollment in a postsecondary institution in the following fall.
- All required application materials and supporting documentation must be completed as directed and postmarked or emailed, by **11:59pm, 20, August, 2023**. **Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.**
- Projects may send only one nomination

### SELECTION:

Each Nomination Packet will be reviewed and rated by members of the Scholarship Commission. The application will be scored on six categories: 1) nomination letter; 2) recommendation letter; 3) financial need; 4) activities/achievements (e.g., honors and awards, public service and community involvement, VUB activities); 5) academics; and 6) student essay.

Each category will be rated on a scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being the highest. The results will be tabulated to determine the winners, and the names will be submitted to the Education Chair and the President of NAVUBPP, following verification of the winners' eligibility to receive the award.

## **MATERIALS TO BE SUBMITTED:**

To be considered, the Veterans Upward Bound Scholarship Application must include:

1. Page 1 (completed by Nominator; signed by Director)
2. Page 2 (completed by Student)
3. Nomination Letter (from VUB staff person) \*
4. Letter of Recommendation (from someone who knows the student well) \*\*

### **Letters must contain Nominee's Name and Writer's Contact Information**

The Nominator must write a letter in support of his/her student, including:

- a) describe how you know the Nominee;
- b) the circumstances of his/her financial need;
- c) his/her activities and achievements (community/public service, military and/or other honors/awards, VUB activities and awards);
- d) educational progress and commitment to completion of PSE;
- e) why student is deserving;
- f) any other relevant information.

\*\* Recommendation Letter should address the same items as the Nomination Letter. \*\*

A color photo of the nominee suitable for publication in the NAVUB newsletter.

Prior to receipt of the award, the Director of the winner's program will provide the NAVUB Treasurer with proof of the student's attendance in a program of post-secondary education for the fall semester. The scholarship will not be awarded to the student until verification of attendance is received.

The student applying for the scholarship is responsible for completing the application, writing the essay, and securing a letter of recommendation from someone other than the Nominator. The student is to submit all documents to the Nominator who is to forward the complete application to the Scholarship Committee.

The Director, if different from the nominator, will verify his/her approval of the nomination, certify that the nominee is in good standing, or has left the project in good standing, and that the project is an active member of NAVUBPP.

**All materials must be postmarked or emailed no later than 11:59pm, 20, August, 2023 to:**

**Gerard Laborde**  
**NAVUB Scholarship Chair**  
[gerard.laborde@selu.edu](mailto:gerard.laborde@selu.edu)

Questions may be addressed to:  
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# National Association of Veterans Upward Bound

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please type or print clearly in black ink

### Nominee's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle (MI) Last  
Permanent Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street / Route Apartment

City State Zip code + 4  
Telephone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Number In Household: \_\_\_\_\_ Employed? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No How many hours per week? \_\_\_\_\_

Military Branch Air Force \_\_\_ Army \_\_\_ Coast Guard \_\_\_ Marines \_\_\_ Navy \_\_\_ Svc Dates \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Local Newspaper and Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Education Status

Some College or Vocational School? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No If Yes, How Many Hours Completed? \_\_\_\_\_

Plan to Enroll in Postsecondary School? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No If Yes, Indicate Enrollment Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(Enrollment verified **BEFORE** scholarship awarded.)

Intended Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Projected Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Current G.P.A. \_\_\_\_\_ Issued by \_\_\_\_\_ PSS \_\_\_\_\_ Other: High School/Vocational/VUB  
PSS = Postsecondary School

### Project Information

**Nominator:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Nomination First Last

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_ Director's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

NAVUB Member \*\* \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \*\* only member projects can make nominations.

Project Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Institution Street or Route

City State Zip code

Project Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Project FAX \_\_\_\_\_

Director's E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Student's TRIO Eligibility Status \_\_\_ Low Income \_\_\_ First Generation \_\_\_ High Risk of Academic Failure

**To the best of my knowledge, I believe all nomination materials are true and complete.  
I certify that the essay submitted is original.**

Director of VUB Project (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Director's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Activities and Achievements

Please list any honors and awards, public or community involvement, offices held, volunteer work, or Veterans Upward Bound activities. **Do not include military service.**

Name of Activity/Achievement	Award/ Honor issued by	Dates

**\*\*\* Please Attach a Photo of the Applicant. \*\*\***

## Essay Topic

Nominee is to submit an essay about *“How Veterans Upward Bound Has Made It Possible for Me to Pursue a College (Or Vocational/Technical) Education.”*

The essay should address Nominee's financial need and explain the circumstances. The Nominee should discuss his/her academic goals and career plans.

The essay should be typed; double spaced; 1-inch margins; 12-point font; include full name and page number on each page of the essay. Essay length should not exceed **750 words**.