

2021 Graduate Education Week Student Awards  
**2020-21 Graduate Student of the Year Nomination Form**

Student's name \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator \_\_\_\_\_ Nominator email \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator signature \_\_\_\_\_

**AWARD CRITERIA**

- Must be graduate student in good standing (full- or part-time) with min. GPA of 3.0.
- Self-nominations are accepted.
- Involvement in professional organizations, campus activities, and/or the community.
- Contribution to knowledge through research, teaching, and scholarship.
- Evidence of living by the [VT Principles of Community](#) and [Aspirations for Student Learning](#).
- Demonstrated characteristics, such as adaptability, charisma, competence, creativity, curiosity, generosity, humility, integrity, professionalism, reliability, responsibility, service-orientation, thoughtfulness, tolerance, trustworthiness.

**NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS/CHECKLIST**

- Completed nomination form.
- 2-page essay or max. 3-minute video by nominee, reflecting on how nominee lives by the [VT Principles of Community](#) and [Aspirations for Student Learning](#), or embodies characteristics described in the award criteria.
- Two letters of reference (limit of 2 pages per reference).
  - One by an academic faculty member at Virginia Tech
  - One from an individual who has personal knowledge of the candidate's character and involvements (e.g., administrator, supervisor, club advisor, etc.)
- Resume (maximum 3 pages) from the nominee that outlines experiences, achievements and contributions in presentations, performances, publications/installations; scholastic awards and recognitions; and service and extracurricular involvement.

**To nominate a student, compile signed nomination form and all supporting documents on the checklist (in the above order) in a single PDF file. Upload this package through the following survey:**

[https://virginiatech.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_djwVxc004gHoTFX](https://virginiatech.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_djwVxc004gHoTFX)

**Deadline: January 29, 2021**

For more information or assistance, contact Graduate School Student Services at 540-231-4558 or email [grads@vt.edu](mailto:grads@vt.edu)

(type GEW Awards in the subject line.)

A Graduate School committee will select up to two winners. An honorarium of \$500 will be disbursed to the student(s) account, and the Graduate School will recognize all winners during

Graduate Education Week, March 22- 26, 2021.

*The Graduate School will send an announcement about the winner to VT News and various VT social media.*