

2025 Graduate Education Week Student Awards
2024-25 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.questionpro.com/awards25>

Deadline: January 24, 2025

For more information or assistance, contact Graduate School Student Services at 540-231-9561 or email 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 24-28, 2025.*

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

Winners will also be recognized at the University Student Recognition Banquet hosted by the President's Office and the Alumni Association.