UNF Scholarship Application

Step 1: Apply to UNF
- **Freshmen**: UNF considers applications from freshmen on a rolling basis starting each July. While there isn’t a specific deadline for applying to the University, it’s highly recommend to apply early — ideally by Oct. 31 — for optimal financial aid, scholarship and housing preferences. Don’t worry if you missed the early date — applications are reviewed through the year, and in many cases, an admission decision can be turned around within a few weeks.
- **Transfers**: Applications submitted by the deadline will be given priority while applications submitted after the posted deadline will be considered on a space-available basis. Unless otherwise noted, applications and all supporting documents and requirements (e.g. test scores, transcripts, etc.) must be received by the University by the deadline.
- Visit [www.unf.edu/admissions/applynow](http://www.unf.edu/admissions/applynow) for a complete list of application instructions, deadlines, etc.
- For questions, contact Admissions through OneStop Student Services at (904) 620-5555 ext. 1

Step 2: Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
- The FAFSA for the upcoming school year is available as of October 1. This earlier filing option is a new and permanent change implemented by the US Department of Education. Instead of waiting until January 1 you may submit your FAFSA as early as October 1. Knowing your expected family contribution (EFC) earlier allows more time to plan and budget for the aid year, and is required by UNF for determining your financial aid eligibility.
- Visit [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) to apply (also included on this webpage is a list of all items/documents needed to complete the FAFSA)
- UNF’s school code is 009841
- If your first term at UNF will be the summer semester, the current academic year FAFSA will need to be completed as well as the coming academic year. For example, if starting in summer 2018 the 2017-18 FAFSA will need to be completed as well as the 2018-19 FAFSA.
- For questions, contact Financial Aid through OneStop Student Services at (904) 620-5555 ext. 3

Step 3: Apply for the Hicks Scholarship
- Students can apply for the Hicks Scholarship as soon as they have applied to UNF, completed the FAFSA **AND have been admitted to UNF**.
- Deadlines to apply for the scholarship are:

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- To apply, send one email with the following documents to foundationscholarships@unf.edu:
  - Hicks Prep Club application form (page 2 of this document)
  - Student Information Release Authorization (page 3 of this document)
  - Résumé
  - One letter of recommendation (from a teacher, employer, counselor, etc.)
    - Note: If the person writing the recommendation letter prefers to send the letter directly to UNF, please have them send it to foundationscholarships@unf.edu and include the name of the student in the body of the email.
  - A personal statement – a one-page narrative designed to give the reviewers a picture of you as an individual. Address the following in the statement:
    - Why do you want to be a Hicks Scholar?
    - What is most appealing to you about UNF?
    - What details of your life (your history, experiences, etc.) set you apart from other candidates?
- For scholarship questions, contact Andrea Mestdagh at andrea.mestdagh@unf.edu
All scholarship communication will be sent to applicants UNF email address. This address can be checked by logging into mywings.unf.edu and clicking the email icon on the upper right part of the page. Email should be checked at least every other day.

Scholarship Application Form
Please fill in all information. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Name: _____________________________________________________________________

UNF N-number (student ID): ________________________________________________

Date FAFSA was completed: _______________________________________________

Address: ___________________________________________________________________

Zip Code: ___________ Cell phone: ________________________________________

Please Check:
☐ HabiJax ☐ Jacksonville Housing Authority  ☐ Jacksonville Housing Authority
☐ Public Housing                                      ☐ Section 8

Community/Residential area (i.e. Brentwood): _________________________________

☐ Current Resident  ☐ Former Resident

List Extracurricular Activities:

Employed: ☐ Yes ☐ No Employer: ______________________________________________

I understand that by filling out this application, I am authorizing the University of North Florida to evaluate my need and merit for the Hicks Scholarship. I understand that the evaluation will include review of a letter of recommendation, an essay, my transcript, my test scores, my FAFSA and this application. I have answered all the questions on this application truthfully. I understand if I have not answered the questions truthfully my application may be denied; even if I have already been approved I may be disqualified. I consent to the disclosure of information for the purpose of verification related to making a determination of my eligibility. I agree to provide any documentation needed to assist in this determination.

Signature: ____________________________________________________________ Date: ______________

Parent/ Guardian Signature: ____________________________________________ Date: ______________
(If under 18)
STUDENT INFORMATION RELEASE AUTHORIZATION (FERPA)

SIGNING THIS AUTHORIZATION AFFECTS YOUR PRIVACY RIGHTS UNDER FEDERAL LAW

In compliance with the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), The University of North Florida is prohibited from providing certain information from your student records to a third party, such as information on grades, financial aid, and other student record information. This restriction applies, but is not limited to your parents, spouse, or a sponsor.

You may, at your discretion, grant to the University permission to release information about your student records to a third party designee by completing and signing this Authorization form. The information you have permitted the University to release (Section C. below) will be made available to the third party designee (Section B. below) when requested by the third party designee.

A. Student Information:

Name (print): _______________________________________________________

Student N Number: ___________________________________________________

Student Address: _____________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________

Daytime Phone: ______________________________________________________

B. Third Party Designees:

Hicks Program Manager                                             Director of Resident Services
Habitat for Humanity Jacksonville, Inc. (HabiJax)                  Jacksonville Housing Authority
2404 Hubbard St., Jacksonville, FL 32206                           1085 Golfair Blvd., Jacksonville, FL 32209

C. Information to be released:

Grades/GPA, academic progress status, and/or enrollment information

Signature: _____________________________________________ Date: ____________

Parent/Guardian: ________________________________________ Date: ______________

Signature (If under 18)