The Virginia Chapter, The Wildlife Society, will award a $500 scholarship to a junior or senior enrolled at a Virginia college or university during 2020-2021. The purpose of the scholarship is to reward a student who has the potential to make significant contributions to the field of wildlife management. The scholarship will be awarded during the annual meeting of the Virginia Chapter in February 2021.

The Virginia Chapter seeks to develop and promote sound stewardship of wildlife resources and the environments upon which wildlife and humans depend. The membership includes wildlife professionals who include research scientists, educators, resource managers, conservation law enforcement officers, administrators and information specialists.

Eligible students must be majoring in a natural resources program that may include wildlife, outdoor recreation, environmental studies, biology, forestry or a related field. Additional award criteria are:

- Scholarship, leadership qualities, good character, participation in extracurricular activities, potential and interest to contribute to the field of wildlife management, merit, and membership in The Wildlife Society (any level) or a similar campus club.

To apply for this scholarship, submit the application below to electronically to sklofper@vt.edu by December 18, 2020.

In addition to the application, please include 2 letters of recommendation to support your application and a 1-page essay with your thoughts on how wildlife professionals can improve the use of science-based information in public policy dialog.

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**Virginia Chapter, The Wildlife Society, Scholarship Application**

Please type or print neatly.

Name (last, first, middle):

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College or University:

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Major Field of Study:

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Address: __________________________________________________________________________

Telephone Number: _______________________  Email: ____________________________________

Year 2020-2021 enrollment (junior or senior): ____________________________________________

Attach a copy of your most recent grade report (official transcripts are not necessary).

Have two letters of reference submitted that address how you meet the award criteria.