

**Southern West Virginia Community College Foundation, Inc.**  
**Melvin Riggs Memorial Scholarship Application**

Established in 2005 from the estate of the late Melvin Riggs. Mr. Riggs was a retired businessman from Lake Havasu, Arizona, and formerly from Logan, West Virginia.

**Criteria**

1. Applicants must **non-traditional students (age 22 or older)**.
2. Must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher.
3. Award amounts vary and may be used for tuition and/or textbooks.
4. Students must complete FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) to be considered for this scholarship.

All scholarships awarded by the Southern Foundation are “last dollar scholarships” designed to provide funds to those students who have an unmet financial need after applying for other sources of assistance. If a student receives a scholarship, it will be counted in determining his/her financial need and may be reduced, if the scholarship, when combined with other sources of assistance, more than meets the student’s documented financial need.

**Instructions**

Please fully complete application and submit it to the Development Office. This scholarship application will be kept on file for the current academic year. Incomplete applications may not be considered.

You may submit your application in person, by mail, or email to the following:

Southern West Virginia Community College Foundation  
P. O. Box 2020  
Mount Gay, West Virginia 25637  
Phone: 304-896-7425 or 304-896-7406  
Email: [Development@southernwv.edu](mailto:Development@southernwv.edu)

**Deadlines**

**The deadline to submit this application is April 15 for Fall Semester and October 15 for Spring Semester.** Applications submitted after the Priority Deadline will still be considered for any remaining scholarship funding. A completed application must be submitted for each academic year a student wishes to be considered for scholarships. **Only those selected for scholarships will be notified.**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Southern E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Other E-Mail (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

High School Graduate:  Yes  No Name of High School: \_\_\_\_\_ G.E.D.:  Yes  No

What is your current Grade Point Average? \_\_\_\_\_ If first time student, please attach high school transcript.

Are you presently attending Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College?  Yes  No

Are you presently attending another college or university while enrolled and taking classes at Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College?  Yes  No. If yes, what program? \_\_\_\_\_

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STUDENT ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide a brief statement concerning your college plans:

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Please provide a brief statement explaining your financial need:

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Activities, honors, and awards:

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Please provide a list of employment or internships including year:

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Have you completed and submitted the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for this academic year?

(Southern Foundation Policy states Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) completion is required to be eligible)

Yes  No

If no, please submit why: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list other financial aid/scholarships you will be receiving:

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Please list the following information while at Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College:

Academic Program/Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Read and Sign:**

I authorize Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College and the Southern West Virginia Community College Foundation, Inc. to verify all information contained in this application. Any institution, agency, or individual may release information to the College or Foundation for verification purposes. I understand the College and Foundation may release this information for verification and/or publicity purposes. It is my responsibility to inform the Development Office staff of any scholarship, grant, or waiver received by me.

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Student Signature

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Date

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