



Gene Haas Foundation Scholarship

Gene Haas is the owner of Haas Automation, Inc., America's leading builder of CNC machine tools, which he started in 1983. In 1999, Gene Haas founded the Gene Haas Foundation which was initially formed to fund the needs of his local community and other deserving charities. Haas Automation has grown to a billion dollar company, and the Gene Haas Foundation is now awarding grants to students who are enrolled in a Machine Tool Program and who plan to pursue a career in that field.

The Gene Haas Foundation has provided to Oconee Fall Line Technical College (OFTC) a scholarship fund that will provide additional financial support to students enrolled in the Machine Tool Technology Program. The Gene Haas Foundation Scholarship funds will be distributed directly to students who are eligible and who successfully apply and are approved by the Scholarship Committee. Applications will be distributed during the second week of the semester with a two-week deadline for submissions. The \$400 stipend will be limited to no more than 5 students per semester, as long as funds are available.

Eligibility Criteria & Application Process

Applicants must:

- be enrolled in a Machine Tool Technology Diploma or Degree Program.
- submit the Gene Haas Foundation scholarship application.
- must have completed at least two (2) semesters in the Machine Tool Program.
- have a 2.5 cumulative Grade point Average (GPA).
- submit a short essay addressing background, personal and academic achievements, academic and career plans, and financial need.
- submit two (2) letters of recommendation – one from the instructor and one from a responsible member of the community, such as employer or pastor, capable of reporting applicant's work ethic, leadership skills, and academic history, if applicable.

Selection Process

- Gene Haas Foundation Scholarship funds will be awarded, in priority order, to students enrolled in a Machine Tool Technology Diploma or Degree Program at OFTC.
- The Scholarship Committee will award the scholarship based upon the evaluation of the criteria and applicant's application, recommendations, and academic record.

Award Information

- The scholarship will be dispersed before mid-term of the semester, as published in the official OFTC catalog, provided the recipient is in good academic standing with college guidelines.
- Students may only receive the award one time.

- **INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**
- **COMPLETED SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE PUBLISHED DEADLINE TO:**
 - **Executive Director**
 - **OFTC South Foundation**
 - **560 Pinehill Road**
 - **Dublin, GA 31021**
 - **For more information: foundation@oftc.edu or 478-553-2148.**