



**UVM's Faculty Union**

**Are you a member of a union in Vermont?  
Do you have college student in your family who is working  
for social justice?**

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LINDA BACKUS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP OF \$1,000**

The Linda Backus Memorial Scholarship of \$1,000 is presented to an undergraduate student for outstanding community service, especially in pursuit of social or economic justice. The scholarship is named in honor of Linda Backus, former professor of education at UVM, committed union organizer, and second president of United Academics. All application material must be submitted through the online application form. Only complete applications received by the deadline will be reviewed by the UA Scholarship Committee.

To access the application form, please visit: <http://go.uvm.edu/18>

**Application deadline is Friday, March 23, 2018.  
Recipient will be announced by Monday, April 30, 2018.**

To be eligible, applicant must have:

- completed two years at a higher education institution (not necessarily in Vermont), and
- an immediate family member—parent, step-parent, guardian, sibling, stepsibling—who is a member of any union in Vermont.

To apply for the Backus Scholarship, applicant must submit:

- an essay (no more than 750 words) that describes involvement in community service, especially as related to social and/or economic justice causes;
- documentation of immediate family member's union affiliation in Vermont (such as a photocopy or scan of a union card, to upload file formats must be png, gif, doc, odt, jpg, pdf and under 2048 KB each)
- a recommendation letter from a faculty or community members familiar with applicant's involvement with social and/or economic justice activities.

Questions? Contact UA Scholarship Committee Chair, Dr. Vijay Kanagala, [Vijay.Kanagala@uvm.edu](mailto:Vijay.Kanagala@uvm.edu)

For more information, visit the United Academics website: <http://www.unitedacademics.org/scholarships/>