



THE UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT  
**GRADUATE COLLEGE**

## **Thomas J. Votta Graduate Scholarship**

The Thomas J. Votta Memorial Fund is established by the friends and family of Tom Votta to be used to provide annual graduate level scholarship assistance to students who, like Tom, wish to make a difference in solving environmental problems, and using environmental best practices to meet this goal.

A scholarship in the amount of \$6,000 will be made available for the 2023-2024 academic year. **The deadline for receipt of all materials is 4:30 pm on April 15, 2024.** Applications for the Thomas J. Votta Scholarship are solicited from students meeting the following criteria:

### **Eligibility**

Applicants must be UVM graduate students studying environmental best practices combining **two or more** of the following areas of study:

1. Environmental Engineering
2. Environmental Science
3. Environmental Business

At one or more of the following:

1. College of Engineering and Mathematical Sciences (MS or PhD)
2. Rubenstein School of the Environment and Natural Resources (MS or PhD)
3. Grossman School of Business (MBA).

Students who already have a graduate degree in one of the listed areas of study and are now completing a graduate degree in one of the other listed areas are also eligible. If no student meets the full criteria the scholarship may be awarded to a student studying in one of the areas with the intention of using their newly gained knowledge to work in advancing environmental best practices.

Preference will be given to U.S. citizens residing in New England; if none, then a U.S. citizen residing in another U.S. state or territory; or if none, then any other student.

Selection of the scholarship recipient will be made by a faculty panel convened for this purpose by the Dean of the Graduate College.

# Thomas J. Votta Scholarship Application Cover Form

The deadline for receipt of all materials is **4:30 pm on April 15, 2024.**

Student (please print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

College/School in which your program resides:

\_\_\_\_\_ College of Engineering and Mathematical Sciences: \_\_\_\_MS \_\_\_\_PhD

\_\_\_\_\_ Rubenstein School of Environmental & Natural Resources: \_\_\_\_MS \_\_\_\_PhD

\_\_\_\_\_ Grossman School of Business (MBA)

Dissertation, Thesis, or Program Advisor (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Date entered program: \_\_\_\_\_

## REQUIRED SIGNATURES:

Program Coordinator / Director (faculty):

Name (please print)	Signature	Date
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Dean of the College/School in which your program resides:

Name (please print)	Signature	Date
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**Applicants must submit the following items combined – in this order – in a single .pdf and attached to an email to: [Erica.Hanson-Pietricola@uvm.edu](mailto:Erica.Hanson-Pietricola@uvm.edu) . Subject line: “Votta Application”**

1. This completed cover form
2. Curriculum Vitae (2 pages max)
3. An essay stating the applicant’s goals upon completing their study and plans to work to advance environmental best practice (1 page)

Separately, the student’s dissertation, thesis, or program advisor should send a letter of recommendation to: [Erica.Hanson-Pietricola@uvm.edu](mailto:Erica.Hanson-Pietricola@uvm.edu) . **Subject line: “Votta Recommendation Letter for [student name]”**

In addition to these materials, the Graduate College will provide a copy of the applicant’s graduate transcript to the faculty review committee.