The Alumni Association Scholarship Fund  
of the Former  
Albert Einstein Medical Center Nursing School of Philadelphia

GENERAL INFORMATION

NFP’s The Alumni Association Scholarship Fund of the Former Albert Einstein Medical Center Nursing School of Philadelphia exists to provide scholarships to students demonstrating financial need in the pursuit of a nursing degree.

Assuming qualified applicants, the standard will attempt to select at least one scholarship recipient annually in each of the degree levels. However, should multiple strong candidates stand out in a particular degree level, NFP’s scholarship committee reserves the right to select more from that group in lieu of selecting from each degree level.

All info regarding NFP scholarships can be found at www.theNFP.org under the “Scholarships” tab.

Questions may be directed to Paula Lasecki at plasecki@thenfp.org or 717-827-4369.

All scholarship application forms, essays and letters of reference will be maintained in a confidential manner at all times. All copies of applications, essays and letters of reference will be returned by scholarship selection committee members to NFP headquarters following selection of the scholarship recipient/s.
CRITERIA

1. The applicant must attend an accredited baccalaureate, associate degree, RN-to-BSN-completion nursing program, advanced nursing degree program, or (re)-certification program in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
   - A high school student must be a matriculated undergraduate student in the fall of the year the award is given.
   - A baccalaureate student must be in his/her sophomore or junior year in May when application is made.
   - An associate degree student must be in his/her final year. Application may be made at the end of the first year.
   - A RN-to-BSN-completion student must have been accepted into a degree-completion program.
   - Students not already an RN – including BS-to-BSN students/fast-track students – must be accepted into a basic RN program at the time of scholarship application.

2. Applicants are highly encouraged to be a member of the Student Nurses Association of Pennsylvania (SNAP) and/or the National Student Nurses Association (NSNA). If the applicant is an RN, he/she is required to become a member of the Pennsylvania State Nurses Association (PSNA).

3. Students are required to demonstrate financial need:
   - All grants and loans (Federal and State)
   - Any formal documentation of need (letter from financial aid officer/ ex: work study)

4. Previous recipients of the Nursing Foundation of Pennsylvania scholarships are not eligible to apply.

5. May only apply to one NFP scholarship per calendar year, excluding the Jack Barger scholarship.
HOW TO APPLY

1. Applications must be accompanied by:
   - An official transcript of most recent grades (if applicant is a second-degree student, a copy of an acceptance letter into an accredited AD or BSN program).
   - Two letters of reference, with at least one being an academic contact. Letters should describe the applicant's scholastic abilities, leadership qualities and community service on official letterhead (If the applicant is an RN-to-BSN student who has been accepted but has not yet started classes, at least one letter must be from a nursing supervisor. If the applicant is a second-degree student, at least one letter addressing academic potential must be from a program representative. Letters may also be provided by professional colleagues, former/present employers or former teachers.)
   - Completed essays
   - Submit a high-resolution (minimum 300 dpi – JPEG format) professional headshot for publicity use by PSNA/NFP (NOTE: selfies or phone camera photos are not acceptable)

2. Application can only be submitted via website
3. Application deadline is March 30, 2020
POST-AWARD REQUIREMENTS:

1. Within one year, recipients must agree to send a thank you note to NFP's board of trustees (c/o NFP) for NFP promotional purposes.
2. As able, scholarship recipients are asked to consider “paying their gratitude forward” through one or more of the following means to advance the nursing profession:
   a. Volunteering service to NFP
   b. Contributing to the mission of NFP
   c. Making an unrestricted financial gift to NFP
   d. Otherwise ensuring the perpetuity of NFP
3. Upon graduation, provide NFP with your year of graduation and updated contact information. This will be used by NFP when sending invitations and information.
4. On a regular ongoing basis, provide voluntary submission of published articles and other professional works for use in PSNA/NFP publications and publicity.

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Essay Deadline March 30, 2020

Applicant shall submit answers to two essay questions (no more than one single-spaced typed page each):

1. Identify leadership skills that you possess both in and out of school. How would you use them in the nursing profession?

2. How have you achieved results with success or failure in your life?

3. From a financial standpoint, what impact would this scholarship have on your education? State any special person or family circumstances affecting your need for financial assistance.

4. Choose an experience from your own life and explain how it has influenced your development.