

North Carolina Foundation for Nursing Scholarship Application

Please Use This Application for Carol Ann Beerstecher Nursing Scholarship

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In 2008, the Carol Ann Beerstecher Nursing Scholarship Fund was created at Triangle Community Foundation as a tribute to Carol and to her dedication, passion, and commitment to nursing by the Beerstecher family. Their desire is that this fund will assist those individuals who may share Carol's passion for nursing, but who may not have the financial means to achieve those dreams.

Carol Ann Beerstecher was deeply committed to the profession of nursing. She received her BS in Nursing from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1971 and following graduation worked as a nurse in the pediatric intensive care unit of Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. After she returned to UNC to pursue a master's degree she was diagnosed with a brain tumor and dedicated the remaining six years of her life to the problems of terminally ill patients and their families. She passed away in 1979 at age 29.

Triangle Community Foundation has partnered with the North Carolina Foundation for Nursing to establish a scholarship program to support students who pursue pre-licensure nursing education.

Purpose: Scholarships are available to **Triangle students** who have chosen a career in nursing and are pursuing education in a pre-licensure program.

Requirements (*Fellowship applicants must meet the following criteria*)

1. Must meet the requirements to qualify for in-state tuition.
2. Must be a resident of Chatham, Durham, Orange, Wake or Person County, North Carolina for at least 12 months (consecutively) prior to application.
3. Must be a current nursing student or have been admitted to a nursing program at an accredited program in North Carolina offering a **diploma, associate or baccalaureate** degree in nursing.
4. Must have a proven financial need.
5. Must maintain 2.0 grade point average to continue to receive funding.

Amount of Scholarship: Up to \$5,000 per year for two years. Recipient must maintain a 2.0 grade point average to continue to receive funding by semester for full two years.

Scholarship Information

The Carol Ann Beerstecher Nursing Scholarships are awarded without regard to race, sex, religion, age or national origin. Priority will be given to NCNA members. The applicant is responsible for assembling the materials together in one packet and submitting it to the NC Foundation for Nursing by 4:00 PM on May 31, 2018.

Incomplete applications or those received after 4:00 PM on May 31, 2018 will not be considered for the Scholarship Funding.

Please submit scholarship application and all related materials via email or mail.

Email

- Email Scholarship Application & All Related Materials **as a single pdf document** to RNs@NCNurses.org

Mailing Address

- Mail Scholarship Application & All Related Materials To
NC Foundation for Nursing, Inc.
Attn: Scholarship Committee
103 Enterprise Street
Raleigh NC 27607-7325

Application Process

Provide the Scholarship Committee the following information in a single envelope or pdf document:

1. Completed Scholarship Application
2. Applicant Statement
3. Two Letters of Reference
4. A copy of unofficial transcripts from last three years of coursework. If one or more years includes high school, the weighted grade point average will be used in consideration. *If applicant has not been enrolled in an academic institution in the last five years, a letter from a supervisor verifying applicant's responsibility, adaptability, motivation, and capacity for success will be accepted in place of transcripts.
5. A copy of the most recent Student Aid Report (SAR) taken from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application. If a student does not have a FAFSA report, a detailed explanation of why and a list of other grants, scholarships and loans received and the amounts will be required.
6. Proof of Acceptance to a nursing educational program at an accredited institution in North Carolina.
7. Proof of Residence in one of the counties listed above.

Basis of Awards

The Scholarship Committee will award the following point values in the seven categories listed below when judging applicant for scholarship awards

1. Financial Need – Maximum of 25 points

Financial need will be based on the expected family contribution (EFC) on the Student Aid Report (SAR) of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

2. Grade Point Average – Maximum of 15 points

3. Community Involvement – Maximum of 15 points

The applicant should include leadership roles in his/her school, the community and other volunteer activities supporting one's own community.

4. Letters of Reference – Maximum of 15 points

Two letters of reference from individuals knowledgeable of the applicant's character, contributions to community, and potential for contributions to nursing. Letters should address the applicant's leadership potential and meaningful contributions to professional nursing. One letter should be from a person knowledgeable about the applicant's educational ability and one from a person who can address the applicant's professional leadership potential.

5. Applicant Statement – Maximum of 30 points

The applicant statement is a summary of not more than 500 words presenting applicant's reasons for pursuing an education in nursing and demonstrates qualifications for the award. This statement should include how professional experience, professional and educational goals, and ambition would contribute to nursing practice.

Scholarship Application

This form must be completed and typed. Hand written applications will not be accepted.

Legal Name:

Home Address:

City:

Zip:

Home Telephone:

Email:

School Applicant Will Attend:

Student ID Number (if known):

Approximate Cost of Tuition, Fees, & Books Per Year:

Other Sources of Funding and Amounts:

Type of program: _____ Diploma _____ Associate _____ Baccalaureate

Anticipated date of graduation: _____

Cumulative Grade Point Average: _____

A. Please list all community involvement; include years of participation, all offices or other positions of leadership held:

B. Please list the names and contact information of the persons writing a letter of reference on your behalf.

1. _____
2. _____

C. Please list all professional activities; include years of participation, all offices or other positions of leadership held:

D. Please list any honors, awards, and certifications with dates received:

I certify that the information provided in the above application is accurate. I agree that I will return the scholarship funds to the foundation if I withdraw from school during the funded year.

Signature:

Date:

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Application received _____ Sent to reviewers _____