



NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM
Dr. R. Scott Ralls, President

September 3, 2008

Deadline for response: October 1, 2008

MEMORANDUM

TO: Financial Aid Officers Directors of Nursing
Chief Academic Officers Deans of Student Development

FROM: Monty K. Hickman
Associate Director of Financial Aid

SUBJECT: North Carolina Community Colleges Foundation
Scholarships for Health Careers 2008-2009

The North Carolina Community College Foundation has endowed scholarships for health careers with funds contributed by a coalition of health industry partners.

These scholarships have been created to assist students interested in obtaining an associate degree in the field of nursing. This year, scholarships are available to full-time students with a cumulative 3.0 GPA enrolled in the second year of an Associate Degree of Nursing program at a community college. Applicants must have completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Each college is requested to submit only one nominee from their respective ADN program. The Foundation will award seventeen \$1,000 scholarships to be disbursed during the 2008-2009 fall and spring semesters. Disbursement of spring 2009 funds will be contingent upon satisfactory academic performance and progress as set forth by the attached guidelines.

Deadline for receipt of the application is October 1, 2008. Please contact me with questions at 919-807-7195 or by email at hickmanm@nccommunitycolleges.edu.

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Attachments

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E-mail

**North Carolina Community Colleges Foundation Scholarships
for Health Careers
Guidelines**

The North Carolina Community Colleges Foundation Scholarships for Health Careers have been created to assist students interested in obtaining associate degrees that will allow them to join the health care profession.

The North Carolina Community Colleges Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing the work of the North Carolina Community College System and its 58 institutions, has endowed the scholarships with funds contributed to the Capital Campaign by a coalition of health industry partners.

The scholarships are available to full-time students enrolled in Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) programs in the North Carolina Community College System during the 2008-2009 academic year.

Eligible students must:

- be enrolled in the second year of the ADN program
- have a cumulative 3.0 GPA during the first year in the ADN program
- have completed the Free Application for Federal Student Assistance (FAFSA)

The Foundation anticipates awarding up to 17 scholarships of \$1,000 each in two disbursements (fall/spring), and students are expected to maintain a cumulative 3.0 GPA. The scholarship must be applied toward tuition, registration fees, and related expenses at the community college where the student is enrolled.

Applications will be reviewed and scholarship recipients selected by a committee of NC Community College representatives. The committee will consider **financial need**, as demonstrated by the Free Application for Federal Student Assistance (FAFSA), **merit**, as determined by academic performance in the ADN program, and **personal commitment** to the nursing profession, as determined by the required documentation.

Colleges will need to complete the attached application for the recommended student and submit it to the System Office. All applications must be received by the North Carolina Community College System by October 1, 2008. Recipients will be announced no later than October 13, 2008.

**North Carolina Community Colleges Foundation Scholarships
for Health Careers
2008-2009 Application
Associate Degree Nursing Students Only**

Please print or type.

Full Name: _____

Last four digits of Social Security Number: _____

Home Address: _____

County: _____

Home Telephone Number: () _____ Work Telephone Number: () _____

Email Address: _____

Community College Name: _____

Date of anticipated graduation: _____

Current cumulative GPA: _____

Major GPA: _____

Has student completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the year in which you are recommending a scholarship? _____ Yes _____ No

Nursing goals and relevant experience: On a separate sheet (limit 500 words), have the student explain why he/she wants to be a nurse and what their career goals are. Students should describe volunteer work, family care, awards, or other life experiences which demonstrate their commitment to nursing as a vocation.

Please attach the student's response to the above question.

Transcripts/test reports: Please include an official transcript from the community college in which student is enrolled.

Signatures:

Candidate _____ **Date** _____

President or Designee: _____ **Date** _____

Submit all materials by mail to be received by **October 1, 2008** to:

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