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Chinese American Nurse Association (CANA) Scholarship

Deadline: Friday, September 1st, 2023

To apply for the CANA Scholarship, please submit a completed application form and all supporting documents via email to the attention of the Director of the Scholarship Committee at cananursing1997@gmail.com. Only completed applications submitted before the deadline will be considered.

Background

The CANA Scholarship was established by the Chinese American Nurses Association (CANA) to demonstrate the association's dedication to enhancing nursing care in Asian communities by educating culturally competent and qualified nurses. The scholarship provides financial support to undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral-level nursing students of Chinese heritage who show a strong commitment to nursing and Chinese American health. Scholarship winners will receive a total award of \$2,000 over three years, with \$1,000 awarded in the first year and \$500 for each subsequent two years.

Qualifications

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be of Chinese heritage.
- Be a registered matriculated undergraduate, graduate, or doctoral student in an accredited nursing college.
- Be a member (or student member) of CANA at the time of application. (Current CANA committee members are ineligible to apply.)
- Have completed at least one academic semester of nursing courses.
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.2 or better.
- **First-generation college students are strongly encouraged to apply.**
- **Past scholarship winners are ineligible to reapply and will not be considered.**

Application Outlines

Please provide the following information:

1. A brief, typed, and double-spaced personal statement (500 words or less) addressing the following:
 - a. What influenced you to choose a career in nursing?
 - b. Your goals and commitments to nursing and Chinese Asian health.
 - c. Any community service participation, including the purpose and duration.
 - d. Your commitments to CANA.
2. Official transcript from the Registrar as evidence of your good academic standing.
3. A letter of Recommendation from one of your current nursing school professors.



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Deliverables

Scholarship recipients will receive the initial \$1,000 award upon completing the application requirements and fulfilling their time commitment toward CANA and the Chinese/Asian American community.

The remaining \$1,000 of the scholarship will be distributed over the next two years as follows:

- \$500 after the first year
- \$500 after the second year

Recipients can continue receiving awards even after graduating from nursing school and becoming a registered nurse (RN) within the 3-year period, provided they maintain their commitment to CANA.

Awards cannot be deferred, and decisions are final.

CANA Scholarship awardees must fulfill the following commitments:

- Attend CANA's Annual General Meeting (AGM) in October to accept the award (or submit an acceptance video if unable to attend in person due to an unpreventable reason).
- Attend or send a video to the following year's AGM to report how the scholarship has impacted their studies or community service to receive the next installment of the award.
- Participate in at least one CANA event even after receiving the award or demonstrate the ability to represent CANA in their own location.

Applicable CANA events include:

- Community health fairs in which CANA participates
- AGM
- Chinese New Year Luncheon
- Annual Fundraising Gala
- Monthly CANA Board meetings
- Other various events where CANA is a participant
- Approved independent events attended as a representative of CANA (especially suitable for awardees located outside the NYC metro area)
- **Recipients who do not make an effort to attend and participate in at least one CANA event per year within the 3-year award period may forfeit future award installments.**