HPGS/ALOH Graduate Scholarship

Hawaii Pacific Gerontological Society (HPGS) provides training and networking support to professionals in gerontology. HPGS also promotes, raises funds and awards scholarships to college students interested in careers involving aging and older people.

Scholarship Description

This $1,000 scholarship is funded by a generous donation from Assisted Living Options Hawaii (ALOH). It is intended to assist Graduate, Law, and Medical students pursue educational goals related to careers in Gerontology and Geriatrics. It is open to students at the University of Hawaii, Hawaii Pacific University, and Chaminade University. One award will be made each year, funds permitting.

Application Criteria

Preference will be given to students who meet the following criteria:

1. Enrollment in one of the academic programs described above. Applicants must have at least two semesters before graduation at the time of application. Areas of study can be any graduate program in medicine, law, nursing, social work, psychology, biology, political science, sociology, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, architecture/design, etc.

2. A 3.0 or higher GPA for the past academic year.

3. Demonstrated interest in Aging through one or more of the following:
   a. Currently taking, or having taken, one or more aging related credit courses or certificate programs.
   b. Paid professional or para-professional work experience with older adults or in an aging-related setting
   c. Attendance at one or more non-credit aging-related courses or seminars. Non-credit certificate programs are also appropriate for this purpose.
   d. Volunteer work or internship in an aging related community site, e.g., a senior center, parks and recreation programs for older adults, lifelong learning programs for older adults, adult day care, retirement community, or county or state office on aging.
   e. Work on an aging related project (research or otherwise) that you as a student initiated.
   f. Assisting or having assisted a professor on a research project as a student help (e.g., collecting data) that is aging related. Or,
   g. Playing a leadership role in a class or service learning project that helped older persons

4. Evidence of financial need.


Application Process:

Please submit:

1. One letter of recommendation from your academic adviser, professor or former professors, or supervisor at your work, internship or volunteer site.

2. An essay that addresses your qualifications for receiving this scholarship, including experience in and dedication to the field of gerontology, your future career plans, and financial need (no more than 2 pages single-spaced).

3. A copy of latest college or university transcript.

4. This scholarship application form.

5. A valid student ID or other proof of Hawaii residency.

Award recipients may be asked to subsequently submit a brief statement indicating how this award has contributed to the realization of their career goals.

Deadline

Applications must be received by Monday, August 2, 2010 at the following address:
HPGS
P.O. Box 3714
Honolulu, HI 96812
Attn: HPGS Scholarship Committee

For inquiries: email: hpgs.hawaii@gmail.com
HPGS/ALOH Graduate Scholarship Application Form  
(Please Type or Print Clearly)

Personal Data__________________________________________________________________

Name: ________________________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________

Phone: ________________________ Email: ________________________________

Educational History

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Relevant Work or Volunteer Experience

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If I am given this scholarship, I understand and affirm the following:

All information provided will be treated confidentially and used only for consideration by the Scholarship Committee. I certify that all of the information on this application is complete, accurate and current. I understand that, if given the scholarship, I will be expected to provide the Scholarship Committee with a photocopy of my valid and current ID to show that I am a resident of the State of Hawaii.

Student’s Signature: ____________________________ Date: ___________________