

# Scholarships of \$500 and \$1,000 are available for students in LEVELS 1, 2 and 3.

Level 3 students who apply for scholarships are also eligible to receive **Pin Awards** of up to \$100 toward the purchase of their graduation pin.

These competitive scholarships are based on academic and clinical achievement, school and community involvement, and faculty recommendations. Financial need is NOT a criteria. We are looking for outstanding student nurses. It could be you!

# **DEADLINE TO APPLY: Thurs., May 15, 2025**

Please read ALL these instructions carefully!

#### TO BE ELIGIBLE:

- 1. You must be currently enrolled in the Charity School of Nursing RN program (not in pre-nursing).
- 2. You must have a minimum 2.7 cumulative nursing average. (This is your average in the classes required for the nursing major, NOT the same thing as your Delgado GPA see attached grade sheet.)
- 3. You must have a minimum B grade in the most recent NURSING 1, 2 or 3 course you have completed (NURS 113, NURS 125, NURS 220). That is, if you are applying at the end of Level 2, you must have earned at least a B in NURS 125-Nursing 2.
- 4. You must be enrolled in Charity School of Nursing when awards are presented in the Fall 2025 semester.
- 5. You must log in to the Delgado College Scholarships application page at https://www.dcc.edu/student-services/financial-aid/types-of-aid/scholarships/default.aspx Select the box "Applicant or Student Award Spring Log-In." Select Charity School of Nursing Alumni Scholarships, and provide the requested information. The process takes approximately 45 minutes, but there are essays to write so be prepared by reviewing the following information.

Some questions may seem irrelevant (like where you went to high school) but just bear with it. For example, financial need is NOT a factor in Charity Alumni Scholarships, but answering that question may qualify you for other Delgado scholarships!

#### Things to know BEFORE you go online:

- 1. You don't have to wait until the deadline you can apply as early as you like.

  You don't have to do the application in one sitting. You can save your work and resume later.
- 2. You will need to request letters of recommendation from your instructors.

Level 1 students need a recommendation from ONE clinical instructor.

<u>Level 2 and 3</u> need recommendations from TWO faculty members; <u>at least one must be a clinical</u> instructor.

The application will ask for the instructors' names and it will *automatically* send an email to REMIND your instructor, but it is **YOUR** responsibility to personally request letters of recommendation from your instructors BEFORE you complete the application.

3. You will need to sign up for a personal interview with the Scholarship Committee.

Interview Days will be Wednesday, May 21 through Friday, May 23, 2025.

Schedule your interview online at:

calendly.com/chsnalumni-scholarship-interviews

Select May 2025 Scholarship Interviews, click on the date of your choice, and then choose the time that you want. Slots are 30 minutes. Please sign up no later than May 15. You can reschedule later if necessary.

Don't wait until the last minute! Slots fill up fast! Problems? Email us: chsnaaoffice@gmail.com

4. Once you receive your final grades for the May 2025 semester, fill out the Grade Report Sheet.

Please do NOT submit an incomplete grade report – WAIT until you have ALL your grades for the Spring 2025 semester.

#### What happens then?

You will be emailed by the Alumni Office no later than May 19 to confirm your application, and give you a contact number in case you have problems on the day of your interview. The interviews will be held in Room 4001 in the Ochsner Center, Bldg 14, on the City Park campus.

Scholarships will be awarded in the **Fall 2025 semester**, at the Promotion and Honors Ceremony (held approximately one month into the semester). All applicants will be emailed by the Alumni Office regarding the results, and the date of the Ceremony. If the Ceremony is not held, or you are unable to attend, awards will be mailed to the recipients.

## **Application Essay information:**

We want to know who you are! Please include ANY information that you think would be helpful to the committee in deciding whether to give you a scholarship. The following questions are only meant to help you get started. You do NOT need to answer them specifically. More information is better! This is your opportunity to tell us who you are and what inspires you.

Think about: Are you involved in any school activities or organizations? Have you held any offices, been involved in special projects or activities on campus? Are you involved in community activities, particularly any related to healthcare? Any military service? Have you been cited by the Honors Committee of the Faculty Association? Have you received any clinical excellence awards, honors or citations at school or in the community?

Think about: What are your goals? Do you plan to continue your education?

Think about: Why would receiving a scholarship be important to you? Everyone could use an extra \$500, but the award decisions are NOT based on financial need. Is there an educational or profession-building opportunity a scholarship would allow you?

Think about: Is there any information that you would like us to know? Are there any special challenges you have faced as a nursing student? What did you do before nursing school? What experiences shaped your life? Why did you decide to be a nurse? What path brought you to where you are today? Where do you want to go in the future?

#### Questions? Email us at: chsnaaoffice@gmail.com

Please type "Scholarship application question" in the subject line.

#### **Alumni Scholarship Application – Grade Report Sheet**

Type or write your letter grade for each class you've taken in the LETTER GRADE column. If you have not taken a class, leave the line blank. If you have repeated a class, we only need the most recent grade. If you withdrew from a class, and have not yet repeated it, put 0. If you did not pass, but have not yet repeated, put the grade you received. (Please type "Grades" in the subject line if sent separately from your application.)

Please do NOT send incomplete grades reports – WAIT until you have ALL your grades for the semester.

Please submit once you receive <u>ALL your grades</u> for this semester.

e:	LOLA #		
Course Number and Name	LETTER GRADE		
Example:	A		
BIOL 251 A&P I			
BIOL 253 A&P I Lab			
BIOL 252 A&P II			
BIOL 254 A&P II Lab			
BIOL 211 Microbiology			
ENGL 101 English Composition I			
ENGL 102 English Composition II			
Fine Arts Elective			
Humanities Elective			
MATH 120, 128 or 130			
MATH 128, 130 or 203 (6 hours total in Math)			
PSYC 127			
NURS 113 Nursing I			
NURS 117 Pharmacology I			
NURS 125 Nursing II			
NURS 127 Pharmacology II			
NURS 129 Special Populations I			
NURS 220 Nursing III			
NURS 225 Pharmacology III			
NURS 223 Special Populations II			
NURS 132 Transition Nursing: LPN to RN			
NURS 133 Pharmacology for Transitions			

<sup>\*</sup>Providing your LOLA # gives us permission to verify your grades with Delgado.

### CHARITY HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF NURSING ALUMNI ASSOCIATION **SCHOLARSHIPS**

#### Instructor Recommendation Information

Please submit your recommendations by Monday, May 19, 2025 to: chsnaaoffice@gmail.com

Name of Student _	 	 
Dear Faculty Member		

The Charity Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Association (CHSNAA) offers scholarships each semester to students at Charity School of Nursing. Students applying for the scholarships are required to ask instructors to submit recommendations.

We know it's not fun to have to do this, but please recognize that this is not a formality for us. Your input and opinion are very important. Your letters are reviewed carefully and weigh heavily in our decision-making. In fact, your recommendations are probably the single most important part of the student's application.

That being said, you do NOT need to write a long, formal letter in business format. Skip the boilerplate. When it's "cut & paste," we can't help but interpret that as a tepid endorsement.

What we want is a personalized and honest response: Do you consider this individual to be an outstanding student nurse, or are they basically average? Will you be proud to see this student graduate and join the nursing profession? Please tell us why. Short and meaningful is so much better than a lengthy recitation of things like "this student is punctual."

These awards are based on merit, so please do not base your recommendation primarily on financial need. We are looking for leadership, involvement, enthusiasm, clinical excellence, teamwork, dealing with personal or professional challenges. We are looking for the student who stands out.

Please specify whether the student was in your clinical group, or that you know them in another context (lecture class, extra-curricular activities, etc.).

If you have reservations about recommending this student, please tell us so. The instructor recommendations are completely confidential and are never shared with students or anyone other than the members of the CHSNAA Scholarship Committee.

So just write us a simple email to chsnaaoffice@gmail.com. Please send your recommendations by Monday, May 19, if possible. If you need more time, just let us know.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please email the Alumni office at chsnaaoffice@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

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CHSNAA Scholarship Committee