



Scholarship Handbook

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***DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS**

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Graduate Incentive Scholarship

Kim Martino Minority Scholarship

Andrea Freeman Memorial Scholarship

Andrea Freeman, a 1994 graduate of the OT program in the College of Health Professions, passed away in a car accident in October 2020, along with her husband and mother-in-law. Her friend and colleague, Mrs. Melissa K. Turpin, established the Andrea Freeman Memorial Scholarship in her honor.

Andrea was a light and joy to all those who had the privilege of knowing her. Andrea's loves were her Christian faith, her family, and the children, parents, and colleagues that she worked with. She was a creative, compassionate, energetic and highly-skilled OT. Her passionate advocacy for the children and families she served was unwavering. She represented the MUSC College of Health Professions Occupational Therapy program with pride. This scholarship was made as a tribute to the joy she brought to those around her.

Requirements:

- Occupational Therapy student
- Submit an essay explaining the importance of therapeutic use of self in OT practice. Limit your response to one page.
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years using the Volunteer and Community Service Log found on the scholarship web page.

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipient will have the award amount credited to his/ her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: *\$2,000.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Andrea Weatherby White, PhD, Leadership Fund

Dr. Andrea White was an outstanding faculty member, program director, and advocate for students during her time at MUSC. Dr. White was recognized regularly for her exceptional teaching, commitment to excellence, and contributions nationally in the field of health administration education. During her career of more than 20 years, Dr. White served AUPHA, CAHME, and MUSC through her work, example, and attitude.

Requirements

- Second year RMHA student
- Exceptional academic performance
- Professionalism
- Community service
- Commitment to the profession
- Submit a resume which notes your community service, related work experience, and other extracurricular activities.
- Submit an essay that describes your first-year experience, professional development, and goals.
- Submit one letter of recommendation from an internship preceptor.

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/ her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: *\$2000.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Anne Pappas Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Dr. Alexandros A. Pappas, a former CHP Professor, in memory of his wife Anne Pappas. Two recipients are selected annually.

Requirements

- Student enrolled in any academic program in CHP
- SC resident
- Academic performance
- Community service
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years on the Volunteer and Community Service Log.

Term awarded: Spring

The selected recipient will have the award amount credited to his/ her tuition bill prior to the first day of the spring semester.

Award amount: *\$2,500.00 each

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Bantam Scholarship

This fund was established as a gift from the High School of Charleston Alumni Association to help support student scholarships in the College of Health Professions.

Requirements

- Student enrolled in any academic program in CHP with at least one completed semester
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years on the Volunteer and Community Service Log.
- Submit an essay addressing the topic: "Since you are receiving a modern education (College of Health Professions) housed in a historical building (High School of Charleston), and having "entered to learn," how do you plan to "leave to serve"? Limit your response to two pages, double-spaced, 12 point font.

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipient will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: *\$1000.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Brian L. Cook Memorial Scholarship

This fund was established in 2020 through a generous gift from Mountain Emergency Physicians in memory of their beloved coworker and 2004 Physician Assistant Studies graduate, Brian Cook. Brian started as a PA at the age of 33, following a 10-year long career as a paramedic. Brian was a practicing Emergency Room PA, most recently at Davis Regional Hospital in Statesville, NC. As the Lead Physician Assistant in the ED, Brian was a competent and compassionate provider. The care he provided was thorough and empathic. He was an excellent clinician and had the trust of all of us physicians who worked with him. His employer and team were impressed with this exemplary leadership in the ED during the COVID pandemic.

Outside of his profession as a PA, Brian was a loving husband and father. He was passionate about travel and wanted to see as much of the world as he could. Nature and landscape photography were his favorite hobbies, especially if it meant he could hike to a waterfall.

The team at Mountain Emergency Physicians hopes that Brian's character will serve as an inspiration to students as they grow and develop in their careers and follow the example of his selfless dedication to the caring of others.

Requirements

- Physician Assistant Studies student
- Academic performance (3.0 or better)
- Possesses attributes to become an outstanding clinician
- Preference given to former paramedic and/or a student that has a strong desire to work in emergency medicine.
- Submit an essay addressing how you see yourself advancing in the PA profession. Limit your response to one page.
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years using the Volunteer and Community Service Log found on the scholarship web page.

Term awarded: Summer

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the summer semester.

Award amount: *\$1000.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Brown Family Book Scholarship

This fund was established by a former student in memory of two of her beloved grandparents, Mr. Raymond “Hobo” Blessitt and Mrs. Wesonía F.R.J. Walker. The family wished to provide support to one CHP minority student each semester.

Requirements

- African American/Black student enrolled in any academic program in CHP
- GPA 3.5 or better
- Submit a brief personal statement describing a time you overcame a personal obstacle and how that prepared you for your future. Limit your response to 250 words.

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: *\$190.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Catherine Michele Poulnot Memorial Scholarship

In honor of the memory of an outstanding physical therapy student who dedicated her time to helping individuals with disabilities, the Catherine Michele Poulnot Memorial Scholarship consists of scholarships awarded to physical therapy students who have demonstrated the highest level of active interest in working with persons who are disabled. Michele Poulnot was a biomedical engineer who worked in the physical therapy department at the Medical University Hospital designing and developing devices to improve the mobility of children and adults with disabilities. She then decided to pursue an additional degree in physical therapy. Michele loved working with children and volunteered a significant amount of her time to agencies such as the Association for Wheelchair Equality (AWE). As such, the scholarships awarded in her name are based on a demonstrated commitment to programs which strive to assist individuals with disabilities and thereby improve their lives. Two recipients selected annually.

Requirements

- PT student
- Demonstrated commitment to assisting individuals with disabilities and improving the quality of life for individuals with disabilities through participation in social, leisure, and recreational activities
- Preference given to SC residents
- Preference given to students with experience working with the pediatric population
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities (within the past three years) working with individuals who have disabilities on the Volunteer and Community Service Log.

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: *\$1000.00 each

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Cecil & Jones Endowed Scholarship

This fund was established in 1985 through the generosity of Dr. & Mrs. Stephen L. Jones, Mr. & Mrs. R. L. Jones, and Mr. & Mrs. Cooper Cecil in support of MUSC student scholarships.

Requirements

- Student enrolled in any academic program in CHP with at least one completed semester
- Financial need
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years on the Volunteer and Community Service Log.
- Submit a one-page summary outlining your passion for your chosen field.

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipient will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: Varies depending on funds available.

Charleston Miracle League's Patty Coker-Bolt Scholarship

This fund was established in 2011 by the Charleston Miracle League's (CML) Board of Directors in honor of founding board member, Dr. Patty Coker-Bolt for her extraordinary dedication, leadership, and contributions to individuals with special needs. Two recipients are selected annually.

Requirements

- Second year OT or PT student
- Address the following three questions in paragraph form. Do not exceed 1500 words total.
 - 1) Why did you choose the field of OT or PT?
 - 2) What creative or innovative ideas do you have for improving the lives of individuals with special needs?
 - 3) Have you ever volunteered for Charleston Miracle League? If so, when? Why is volunteering in the community so important?

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/ her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: *\$1,000.00 each

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

College of Health Professions Alumni Association Scholarship

The College of Health Professions Alumni Association Board, a group of college alumni ranging in programs and class years that advises and supports the College of Health Professions, awards a scholarship each year to continuing students in the college.

Requirements

- Student enrolled full-time in any academic program in CHP
- Academic performance
- Leadership service
- Community involvement
- Demonstrated service as officers, members, or volunteers of any organization recognized by MUSC or the surrounding Charleston community
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years on the Volunteer and Community Service Log.
- Describe why you feel you are qualified for this scholarship and provide any other supporting documentation desired. Limit response to 500 words, 12 point font.

Term awarded: Summer

The selected recipient will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the summer semester.

Award amount: *\$1500.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

College of Health Professions Endowed Scholarship

This fund was established in 2009 to provide scholarships for CHP students. Two recipients are selected annually.

Requirements

- Academic performance
- Leadership potential
- Volunteer and community service
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years on the Volunteer and Community Service Log.
- Submit an essay on the art and science of being an excellent health professional. Limit your response to two pages, double spaced, 12 point font.

Term awarded: Spring

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/ her tuition bill prior to the first day of the spring semester.

Award amount: Varies depending on funds available.

Colonel (Ret) Michael G. La Belle Scholarship

This fund was established in 2015 with the generous gift from Colonel (Ret) Michael LaBelle, PA-C, who received his certificate in Physician Assistant Studies from MUSC in 1978. A native of Florida, Colonel La Belle is a proud Veteran whose military career spanned 40 years. At the time of his retired in 2012, he was the Commander of the State Medical Activity and State Surgeon. Colonel LaBelle's greatest pleasure as a PA was caring for Veterans living with cancer and finding housing for homeless Veterans. He completed his career as a Surgical Oncology PA at the University of New Mexico Comprehensive Cancer Center.

Requirements

- Second year PA student
- Academic performance (3.0 or better)
- Possesses attributes to become an outstanding clinician
- Preference given to former/current members of the US military (Active, Guard, or Reserve)
- Submit an essay addressing how you see yourself advancing in the PA profession. Limit your response to one page.
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years using the Volunteer and Community Service Log found on the scholarship web page.

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: *\$1500.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

David C. Munday Memorial Scholarship

The David C. Munday Memorial Scholarship Fund was established by Jessica E. Munday, a 1998 College of Health Professions Master in Health Administration graduate, and Ryan Thomas Munday-Herald, her brother, in memory of their father, David Charles Munday in recognition of their appreciation for higher education.

Requirements

- First year MHA (Residential) students
- Academic Performance
- Leadership
- Significant volunteer and community service
- Preference given to those in military service or veterans
- Submit a personal essay on why you believe you should receive the scholarship and why you have elected to pursue a career in healthcare (1-2 pages).
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years on the Volunteer and Community Service Log.

Term awarded: Summer

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the summer semester.

Award Amount: **Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Deborah A. Geisler Leadership Scholarship

The Deborah A. Geisler Leadership Scholarship Fund was established by Deborah A. Geisler to support College of Health Professions' Anesthesia for Nurses first and second year students.

Requirements

- First or Second year Anesthesia for Nurses student
- Good Academic Standing
- Submit a current curriculum vitae
- Submit a personal essay that includes a description of their current and prior leadership experiences and the potential impact of these experiences on their future career as a CRNA, e.g. volunteerism, student nurses' association, clinical /ICU leadership, state and national professional association, etc. Essay should be no longer than 750 words.

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award Amount: Two (one first year student and one second year student), \$2,000.00*

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

D.G. Askins Jr. Endowed Scholarship

This scholarship was established through the generous gifts from family, friends, colleagues, and students in honor of Dr. D. G. “Glen” Askins. Dr. Askins received his bachelor’s from Wofford College and his MD from MUSC. He had a distinguished career as a primary care physician in SC before joining MUSC as a faculty member. Dr. Askins’ greatest pleasure during his tenure in the PA division came from interacting with students and graduates. He found no greater delight than in seeing these young professionals and the PA profession flourish. This scholarship honors Dr. Askins’ passion for the medical profession and his commitment to excellence in the areas of education, service, and clinical care.

Requirements

- Second year PA student
- Academic performance
- Significant volunteer and community service
- Financial need
- Submit a personal essay that answers why you want to work as a PA in primary care. Limit your response to one page.
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years on the Volunteer and Community Service Log.

Term awarded: Summer

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/ her tuition bill prior to the first day of the summer semester.

Award amount: *\$2500.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Edith & Vincent Peng Endowed Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Dr. Vincent Peng to provide educational scholarships to academically qualified students in the College of Health Professions who need financial assistance to pursue a degree in occupational therapy.

Requirements

- OT student
- Nominations submitted by OT faculty only
- Recipient determined by OT division

Term awarded: Spring

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the spring semester.

Award amount: *Varies depending on funds available.*

Elizabeth P. Gouge Memorial Physician Assistant Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the South Carolina Academy of Physician Assistants (SCAPA) in memory of long time treasurer and alumnus of the MUSC PA program. Elizabeth P. Gouge, a devoted wife and mother of two, was the head PA with the Family Medical Center in Aiken, SC where she earned the respect and admiration of all staff and clientele. After an eight-month battle with a malignant brain tumor, she died in May of 1996. She was affectionately known as a reconciler, a peacemaker, and most of all, a healer. She had a natural rapport with patients due to her skills as a compassionate caregiver.

Requirements

- First year PA student
- Financial need
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years on the Volunteer and Community Service Log.

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: *\$2500.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Graduate Incentive Scholarship

Based on availability each year, the MUSC Office of Student Diversity may allot monies to be awarded to underrepresented minority students (Black/African American, Amer Indian/Alaska Native, Filipino, Guamanian/Chamorro, Hawaiian Native, Samoan, Pacific Islander). The Office of Student Life will notify all eligible students in the College of Health Professions of the application process and the qualifications to be considered. Students are required to sign a promissory note agreeing to work in SC for at least one year or repay the loan.

Requirements

- Enrolled full-time in a program with at least one additional semester to complete
- US citizen
- SC resident
- Underrepresented minority student (African American, Hispanic, American Indian)
- GPA 3.0 or better
- Financial need
- Submit an essay on how you plan to be a positive change agent for your chosen profession to benefit South Carolinians. Limit your response to two pages.

Term awarded: Spring

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the spring semester.

Award amount: *\$5000.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available. In the 2015-16 school year, \$15000 was allotted to CHP, and three \$5000 scholarships were awarded.*

HCA/Frank DeMarco III Endowed Scholarship

Established in memory of Mr. Frank DeMarco by his wife Karen and the Hospital Corporation of America, this scholarship aims to recognize a commitment to excellence in healthcare administration by supporting a student in the college's RMHA program. Mr. DeMarco served as the CHP Executive in Residence for three years until his death in 2004. While at CHP, he loved working with students and was a tremendous asset to the MHA program.

Requirements

- First year RMHA student
- Academic performance
- Leadership
- Financial need
- Submit an essay addressing why you have entered healthcare administration and what you envision doing with your degree once you are working in the field. Limit your response to two pages, double-spaced, 12 point font.
- Submit a resume documenting related work experiences and other extracurricular activities.

Term awarded: Spring

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the spring semester.

Award amount: *\$1200.00 each year (good academic standing required for 2nd year)

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

James Palmer Dearing Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship, honoring former College of Health Professions Professor James Palmer Dearing, was established with contributions from family, fellow faculty, and former students.

Requirements

- CVP student
- Academic performance
- Professionalism
- Nominations submitted by CVP faculty only

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/ her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: *\$1000.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Jesse Ray “Mac” McGrady, Jr. Scholarship

This scholarship was established to celebrate the life and honor the legacy of Jesse “Mac” McGrady, Jr. by providing an annual scholarship award to a physical therapy student at the College of Health Professions. This scholarship was established in his memory through contributions from colleagues, family, and friends.

Requirements

- PT student
- Preference given to students from rural SC and/or non-traditional students (please reference within the essay growing up within a SC rural community and/or being a non-traditional student)
- Submission of a brief essay (no more than one page) on how you have demonstrated care and compassion and love for the outdoors

Term awarded: Spring

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/ her tuition bill prior to the first day of the spring semester.

Award amount: *\$1500.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Kenneth and Cozie Thomas Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Dr. Jack Thomas in honor of his parents.

Requirements

- Second year AFN, OT, PA, or PT student
- Exceptional academic and professional performance
- Potential to become an outstanding clinician
- Nominations submitted by AFN, OT, PA, and PT faculty only

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: *\$1200.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Kim Martino Minority Scholarship

This fund was established by Kim's mother, the late Dr. Marlene O'Bryant-Seabrook, and the Division of Physical Therapy, in conjunction with the Association of Black Health Professionals, now known as SDLC, (Student Diversity Leadership Council), to honor the memory of Kim O'Bryant-Martino, a beloved College of Health Professions Physical Therapy student from the May 2003 Class. This loving tribute captures the vital spirit of a young woman who inspired all those around her in roles as mother, student, friend and confidant. Her life of generosity and dedication to her church, community, and profession is fondly remembered today.

Kim was a graduate of the High School of Charleston, the current site of the MUSC College of Health Professions. She attended the College of Charleston where she majored in Early Childhood Education. Not only was Kim a full-time physical therapy student at MUSC College of Health Professions during her untimely death in 2003, she was a mother and confidant to her classmates.

The objective of the scholarship is to offer financial assistance to a current, full-time, underrepresented minority student (African American, Hispanic, or American Indian) in the College of Health Professions.

Requirements

- Enrolled full-time in a program
- Underrepresented minority student (African American, Hispanic, American Indian)
- Academic performance
- Demonstrated leadership and/or community service
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years on the Volunteer and Community Service Log.

Term Awarded: Summer

Award Amount: \$1,000

- *Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Mary Anne Cone Scholarship

This scholarship was created by the Anesthesia for Nurses class of 1993 in honor of Mary Anne Cone, member of the first AFN graduating class and former director of the AFN program.

Requirements

- AFN student
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years on the Volunteer and Community Service Log.
- Submit a personal essay. Topic will be determined by the AFN faculty each year.

Term awarded: Summer

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the summer semester.

Award amount: *\$1000.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

The Mary Eileen Leonard Scholars Program

The College and our community said goodbye to an iconic figure in the Lowcountry's medical community, Ms. Mary Eileen Leonard, who passed away on November 9, 2016, at the age of 91.

A 1947 graduate of MUSC's Medical Technology Program, Ms. Leonard worked at MUSC for 33 years and Roper Hospital for 22 years in the clinical laboratory departments, while also serving as a faculty member of the MUSC College of Medicine. Throughout the course of her career, she touched the lives of almost everyone who knew her, not only through her work in the lab and classroom but also through her hearty laugh, great stories and "bigger than life" personality. She continues to be an inspiration for all of us.

Her beloved family, friends and colleagues helped to establish this Scholars Program in memory of her great Legacy and to honor her life's work and heartfelt desire to help students achieve their career dreams.

Requirements

- Applicants from any College of Health Professions academic program can apply.
- Applicants must be in good standing (no GPA requirements).
- Applicants must have a financial need.
- Applicants must show evidence of commitment to their professions, including but not limited to, service/attendance at professional association meetings and/or related activities.
- Eligible students will write a brief essay or statement about the commitment to their professions
- Applicants must submit a resume.

Term Awarded: Spring

Award Amount: Two, \$1,000 scholarships a year.

Merriman Lee Dowdle Endowed PA Scholarship Fund

Mrs. Merriman Lee Dowdle is a retired Physician Assistant (PA) from MUSC Class of 1996. She graduated Cum Laude from MUSC and was a clinical instructor in the Physician Assistant Studies Program at the College of Health Professions as well as a former faculty member. Her special interests included Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD), Infusion Therapy, Research, Teaching and Patient Education.

Mrs. Dowdle dedicated her PA career to serving patients, and their families, dealing with Inflammatory Bowel Disease. Her professional passion extended beyond the patient's disease process as she approached her practice with a deep sense of caring which enabled her to treat the whole patient.

Mrs. Dowdle established her Endowment in honor of her late parents - Mr. and Mrs. John Wesley Dowdle, Jr. (Virginia Sandy Dowdle) - for supporting her dream and ambition to become a PA. She believes this form of giving back extends beyond PA students into the communities in which we are privileged to serve so others may live their dreams to the fullest.

Requirements:

- Second Year PA student
- Financial Need
- Demonstrated Community Service and Outreach
- Submit a resume which details your community service, related work experience, and other extracurricular activities.
- Submit a 500-word essay describing how your community service and outreach, to date, will influence/impact your career as a PA.

Term Awarded: Spring

Award Amount: \$2,000*

* Amount may vary from year-to-year

Perfusion Life Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the Perfusion Life company and the Clark Family through their steadfast passion and dedication to the perfusion profession.

Criteria:

- CVP Student
- Financial Need
- Preference given to URM student (Individuals with ethnicity = Hispanic or Latino *and/or* any race = Black/African American, Amer Indian/Alaska Native, Filipino, Guamanian/Chamorro, Hawaiian Native, Samoan, Pacific Islander).
- Nominations submitted by CVP faculty only

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/ her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: \$1,500

Physical Therapy Scholarship

This scholarship was created by the Physical Therapy Division and the Development Office to help provide an annual scholarship to a physical therapy student within the College of Health Professions.

Requirements

- PT student
- Financial need
- Volunteer and community service
- Academic performance
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years using the Volunteer and Community Service Log found on the scholarship web page.

Term awarded: Fall, Spring or Summer

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the summer semester.

Award amount: *Varies depending on funds available.*

PROSPER Scholarship (PROfessionals Supporting PT Education and Recruitment) Scholarship

This scholarship was created by the Physical Therapy (PT) Division and the Office of Development in 2017 to help provide an annual scholarship to a first year (incoming) physical therapy student within the College of Health Professions. Two recipients will be selected annually for a \$15,000 per year, renewable award that will be applied directly to the student's tuition account.

Requirements

- Physical Therapy student
- Cross spectrum excellence as defined by holistic admissions review
- Nominated by member of the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) Admissions Committee
- Award made after interviews at DPT Open House or by Skype if student is not available to attend the Open House

Term awarded: Fall, Spring or Summer

In the first year of the DPT program, \$7,500 will be applied toward tuition during the Fall and Spring terms. In the second and third years, \$5,000 will be applied toward tuition for each term.

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the semester.

Award amount: *Please see notes above.*

Salvatore Scaletta Education and Scholarship (PhD)

This fund was established by Drs. Michael and Lisa Saladin to honor their former high school English teacher in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, whom they both credit for shaping the paths in their careers. One Physical Therapy student and one PhD student are selected annually.

Requirements

- PhD student past the comprehensive stage of the program
- Submit an essay addressing why research matters. Limit your response to two pages, single-spaced.

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/ her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: *\$1000.00 each

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Salvatore Scaletta Education and Scholarship (Physical Therapy)

This fund was established by Drs. Michael and Lisa Saladin to honor their former high school English teacher in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, whom they both credit for shaping the paths in their careers. One Physical Therapy student and one PhD student are selected annually.

Requirements

- Third year Physical Therapy student with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or better
- Submit an essay addressing the question, “Why is the APTA important to the profession of physical therapy and to each physical therapist in practice?”. Limit your response to two pages, single-spaced.
- Submit a Volunteer and Community Service Log that list all of your APTA or SCAPTA activities that you have participated in while at MUSC.

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: *\$1000.00 each

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Sherlonda T. Adkins and Family Scholarship

This scholarship was created by Sherlonda Adkins, PA-C, from the PA class of 2014, to inspire deserving, non-traditional students who are pursuing their degree in the Division of Physician Assistant Studies at the College of Health Professions.

Requirements

- First year PA student with at least one completed semester
- Academic performance (3.0 or better)
- Volunteer and community service
- Preference given to non-traditional students (i.e., older student who may be raising a family and/or returning to school after being out of college for some time)
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years on the Volunteer and Community Service Log.
- Submit a brief essay addressing why you consider yourself to be a non-traditional student (as described above). Limit your response to 250 words.

Term awarded: Spring

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the spring semester.

Award amount: *\$1000.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

South Carolina Technical College Pathway Award

This award was established by the Jessica Giblin'19 for her commitment to our students in the Bachelor of Healthcare Studies Program. The first of its kind, this award will be given out on an annual basis.

Criteria:

- Bachelor of Healthcare Studies Student
- Student must submit a 250—500 word essay explaining the need for the award

Preferred Criteria:

- A student entering the program from Trident Technical College
- A student with financial needs

Term awarded: Summer

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the summer semester.

Selection: The award recipient will be determined by the Division of Healthcare Studies faculty members.

Award amount: \$475

Student Government Association Scholarship

The College of Health Professions Student Government Association scholarship award was developed as a means to actively support the college and to serve as a tool to promote diverse involvement in student life within the College of Health Professions and MUSC.

Requirements

- Student enrolled in any academic program in College of Health Professions with at least two completed semesters
- Academic performance (3.25 or better)
- Community service and leadership within the college, university, and/or the community
- Submit a brief statement outlining how you have been active within CHP, MUSC, and/or the community and the benefits you have experienced through your involvement, especially any active leadership roles you have held. Limit your response to two pages, double spaced, 12-point font.
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years on the Volunteer and Community Service Log.

Term awarded: Spring

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the spring semester.

Award amount: *\$1000.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Sushma Rao Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established by family and friends as a memorial to Sushma Rao, Physician Assistant, and is given to deserving students in need of financial support while pursuing a degree in the Division of Physician Assistant Studies at the College of Health Professions.

Requirements

- First year PA student
- Significant volunteer and community service
- Preference given to SC, GA, TN and NC residents
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years on the Volunteer and Community Service Log.

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: *\$2000.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Warren Family Endowed Scholarship

This scholarship was established through the generous support of Dr. Robert Warren and his wife, Dr. Nancy Warren. A national leader in the field of health informatics and retired CMIO of MUSC's Hospital, Dr. Warren helped establish the MUSC MSHI Program in 2014 and served as a beloved faculty member and mentor for MUSC MSHI students. This scholarship honors the Warren family's passion for the development of leaders and teamwork in the field of health informatics.

Requirements

- First year MSHI student
- Academic performance
- Significant volunteer and community service
- Submit a personal essay that describes the role of leadership and teamwork in the field of health informatics. Essays should be no longer than 750 words.
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years.

Term awarded: Spring

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: *\$2000.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

Will Hagood Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established in memory of Will Hagood, a non-traditional student who came to the PA program after many other adventures and accomplishments. Will had a “lust for living” that made him unique and a joy to be around. He wanted to do it all and became a master of many things—skiing, rock climbing, wind surfing, kayaking, to name a few. He had a true compassion for all people, especially the young and the old, those out of the main stream. He was working in the field of pediatrics at the time of his death and said he had found “the place he was needed.” The essays are reviewed by those faculty members in the PA program who had the good fortune of knowing and working with Will while he was a student here and a practicing PA.

Requirements

- Second year PA student entering clinical rotations in the fall
- Submit a list of all your volunteer and community service activities within the past three years on the Volunteer and Community Service Log.
- Submit an essay that addresses the following three questions:
 - 1) What gives you a “lust for living?”
 - 2) Where do you see yourself “being needed” when you complete this program?
 - 3) What makes you a non-traditional student?

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: *\$2000.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*

W. Stuart & Barbara Smith Scholarship

This scholarship serves as a recruitment tool for incoming, MHA students to the Department of Healthcare Leadership and Management (DHLM) at the College of Health Professions, to help strengthen the department's ability to compete with other programs in the region.

Requirements

- Incoming RHMA student
- Exhibits promising characteristics for becoming a successful healthcare administrator
- Possesses previous leadership experiences through community service and/or college activities
- Nominations and selection determined by the DHLM Admissions Committee

Term awarded: Fall

The selected recipients will have the award amount credited to his/her tuition bill prior to the first day of the fall semester.

Award amount: *\$2500.00

**Current and future amounts can vary depending on funds available.*