

Scholarships for Nursing Students

There are many scholarships available for nursing students. Some are designed for students while they take their necessary general education courses. Others are available only after a student has been accepted into a nursing program. Below are some avenues to explore.

PSCC Financial Aid Office, Goins Building, Room 101C- Pellissippi State offers several scholarships for students who are declared pre-nursing majors. One of these is specifically for Blount County residents planning on entering ETSU. The application and other information are available at the Financial Aid website: http://www.pstcc.edu/financial_aid/. Priority deadline for the PSCC scholarship application is April 15.

Tennessee Career Center Workforce Connections Employment and Training Assistance – State program which provides significant financial assistance for many students who have been accepted into a two-year nursing program. For eligibility the nursing program must provide a certificate or diploma upon graduation. After receiving an acceptance letter from a two-year nursing program each candidate must attend a training orientation offered every Thursday at 3pm at the University Avenue site. Contact the Tennessee Career Center at 594-5500 for more information.

PEO (Philanthropic Educational Organization) Continuing Education of Women Scholarships- This is for women who have had at least a two-year break in their education at some point. They must be US citizens, have at least a B average, and be within two years of graduation at the time they receive the scholarship. The scholarships are \$2000 maximum. Deadline is early-April. Contact Susan McMahan at smcmahan@pstcc.edu for applications.

Johnson & Johnson Health Care Systems- They offer links to numerous scholarships.
Website: <http://www.discovernursing.com/nursing-scholarship-search>

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services- The Nursing Scholarship Program is a selective program of the U.S. Government that helps alleviate the critical shortage of registered nurses currently experienced by certain types of health care facilities by helping needy students complete their registered nurse training. In exchange for the scholarship, upon graduation, the newly minted nurses work at these types of facilities for at least 2 years. Website: <http://www.hrsa.gov/loanscholarships/scholarships/Nursing/>

Foundation of the National Student Nurses Association (FNSNA) –Organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes, the Foundation awards scholarships to qualified nursing students. Contributions to the FNSNA are tax-deductible. Since 1974, the FNSNA has awarded over \$2 million dollars in scholarships to undergraduate nursing students.
Website: <http://www.nсна.org/FoundationScholarships.aspx>

Minority Nurse- MN provides a list of handpicked nursing scholarships. Students can also use the personalized search tool that matches personal background with the best scholarship options.
Website: <http://www.minoritynurse.com/scholarships>

Also check with the nursing schools you are considering applying to!

Additionally, many local hospitals offer nursing school assistance and/or loan payback opportunities for employees. Contact Human Resources at individual hospitals for more information.