Scholarships and Other Financial Aid information for Pre-Nursing and Nursing Students

External Scholarships

The first place you should look for scholarship aid is your local hospital. Many hospitals offer scholarship programs to help encourage the training of new healthcare professionals.

Below is a list of scholarships offered by other organizations and entities. PSCC has no connection to any of these scholarships and is not responsible for any information or the securement of this aid. This list is a resource we provide to assist you in locating other aid sources.

- AfterCollege-AACN Scholarship Fund
- American Assembly for Men in Nursing
- American Association of Critical Care Nurses Scholarship
- American Association of Occupational Health Nurses
- Association of PeriOperative Registered Nurses
- Johnson & Johnson - Discover Nursing
- National Student Nurses' Association - Promise of Nursing Scholarships
- Nurse Corp Scholarship Program
- Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing

Loan Repayment or Forgiveness Programs

- Army Nurse Corps Benefits provides full scholarships for students who are interested in becoming a Nurse Anesthetist as well as the Health Professions Loan Repayment Program in exchange for active duty service in the U.S. Army.
- Federal Perkins Cancellation for Nurses provides possible loan cancellation for full-time nurses.
- Indian Health Service (IHS) administers a program to help repay undergraduate and graduate loans of health professionals in return for full-time clinical service in Indian health programs.
- National Health Service Corps, a division of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, has information about scholarships and loan repayment programs for health care professionals who practice in a medically underserved area.
- NURSE Corps Loan Repayment Program, formerly the Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program (NELRP), this program helps alleviate the shortage of nurses across the country by offering loan repayment assistance to registered nurses and advance practice nurses, such as nurse practitioners, working at Critical Shortage facilities and nurse faculty employed at accredited schools of nursing.
Program participants receive up to 60 percent of their qualifying student loans in exchange for a 2-year service commitment – and an additional 25 percent of their original loan balance for an optional third year.

Public Service Loan Forgiveness, created by Congress, encourages individuals to enter and continue to work full-time in public service jobs. Under this program, borrowers may qualify for forgiveness of the remaining balance due on their eligible federal student loans after they have made 120 payments on those loans under certain repayment plans while employed full time by certain public service employers.

State-Sponsored Loan Forgiveness Programs

Tenet Healthcare System has introduced a student loan repayment program at participating hospitals. A state-by-state list of eligible facilities is available on their website.

The Health Professions Education Foundation is currently offering the Bachelor of Science Scholarship and Loan Repayment program.

The Kaiser Permanente Student Financial Aid Program awards need-based nursing scholarships and merit-based forgivable loans to students in California. Loans are available in a variety of nursing and professional/technical specialties, and may be forgiven through qualifying employment with Kaiser Permanente.

The State Nursing Assumption Program of Loans for Education (SNAPLE) program offers up to $25,000 in loan repayments for nurses serving as faculty at a regionally accredited college or university in California. View program flyer.