

## Educational Scholarship Award Program



## APPLICATION FORM For MOLN Members and RN Students

**Deadline: September 15**

*any applications submitted online after September 15, will not be considered.*

# Scholarship Selection Criteria

## Purpose

The purpose of the scholarship fund is to provide financial assistance to:

- Members of the Minnesota Organization of Leaders in Nursing (MOLN), **MOLN Member Applicants**, for continuation of formal education which will advance their leadership skills and expertise.
- MOLN student members, **MOLN Student Applicants**, completing their RN basic nursing education (MOLN will award a scholarship to a student in an undergraduate RN program).

Offering educational scholarships demonstrates commitment to our MOLN goals. Scholarship funds are raised during the Spring Conference Silent Auction and the Fall Conference. The educational scholarship program is administered by the Research & Scholarship Committee and scholarship awards are distributed at the MOLN Fall Conference.

## Eligibility Criteria

### MOLN Member Applicants must:

- Be a current MOLN Member in good standing for a minimum of six months prior to submitting an application for a scholarship. Award amounts vary depending on the applicant's years of membership and Association involvement.
  1. Member for less than 12 months – eligible for \$500
  2. Member for 1 year or more – eligible for \$1,000
  3. Member for 1 year or more plus active membership on at least one organizational committee – eligible for \$1,500
- Be currently enrolled or have proof of enrollment in a relevant bachelor's, master's, or doctorate degree program.
- Have a minimum GPA of 3.0 or equivalent grade point average in current academic work.
- Have demonstrated support of MOLN mission, vision, and values.
- Have submitted 2 letters of reference:
  1. From a member of MOLN (non-family member).
  2. From a nursing faculty, nursing director, or dean of nursing regarding the applicant's leadership.

### MOLN Student Applicants must:

- Hold a current voting MOLN membership for a minimum of one year prior to making application for the scholarship.
- Be admitted to an accredited undergraduate RN nursing program.
- Have a minimum GPA of 3.0 in required courses for graduation from the selected nursing program.

## Notification

Applicants will be notified by the second week of October. Names of recipients, their place of employment, and the academic institution they are attending will be published in the MOLN newsletter and on the MOLN website. Recipients will be honored and awarded the scholarship funds at the MOLN Annual Fall Conference.

## Process

There are four parts to the application process:

- *All parts must be submitted together* using the online submission process by **September 15** to be reviewed by MOLN to verify eligibility and completeness.
  - Only completed applications that meet the eligibility criteria will be reviewed. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that all required supporting documents are uploaded when submitting the application online.
1. **Application** (online submission form)
  2. **Two Reference Forms** (attached form *must* be used)
  3. **Two Essays** (*must be typed, double spaced and uploaded into the online system; essay questions listed below are limited to one page each*)
    1. State your goals in returning to school to complete a degree and how attainment of this degree will facilitate your professional development as a leader in nursing.
    2. Identify how your educational and career goals relate to the goals of MOLN.
  4. **Transcript**
    1. Upload a PDF of your transcript into the online submission portal.
    2. Transcript must include all course work completed in current program.
    3. If applicant is enrolled in a program but has not begun course work, previous academic records may be used to meet the criteria.

**To apply for a scholarship, please scan the QR code below, or visit:**

<https://members.moln.org/scholarship-app>

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