

Gertrude Dee Roeder Scholarship
Spring 2020
Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Who is eligible for the scholarship?

A: Applicants must:

- Be enrolled in a Nursing program at a school in the State of California.
- Be residents of Ventura County, California.
- Have graduated from a high school or preparatory school in Ventura County, California.
- Demonstrate financial need.
- Plan to attend full-time any recognized institution in the State of California whose school of nursing is accredited by the California Board of Registered Nursing.

Additional Desired Qualifications:

- A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- Demonstration of scholastic aptitude.
- Demonstration of potential for success in the nursing program.
- Demonstration of moral and ethical ideals.

Q: How do I apply?

A: Interested applicants may apply online at www.csascholars.org/roeder.

Q: How are applications submitted?

A: Applications must be submitted online via the Center for Scholarship Administration (CSA) portal. There are three steps to complete and submit the application:

1. Set up an account through the portal.
2. Login to the account and complete the application. A confirmation email will be sent when the application is received by CSA. Applicants should contact CSA if a confirmation email is not received.
3. Mail in any additional required materials. See list below.

Q: What constitutes a complete application packet?

A: A complete application package includes the following:

- Official transcript with grades and cumulative GPA posted through the latest fall semester.
- One SIGNED letter of recommendation from a nursing professor or clinical faculty member.
- Student Authorization and Acknowledgements Form, found in the online application, signed by the scholarship candidate.
- Personal statement/essay:

- Submit a one-page signed personal statement explaining why the scholarship is important to you. Include your college and career plans.
- List of academic honors, leadership skills, community service, etc.
- Student Aid Report (SAR) from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- W8 or W9 IRS Form, as applicable. This form must be completed by the applicant.

Note: Each item should include both the applicant's name and name of the scholarship at the top of the page.

Q: When is the deadline for submission of materials?

A: The online application must be completed and transmitted to CSA no later than **February 13, 2020**. Any required supplemental materials that need to be mailed must be mailed to CSA no later than **February 13, 2020** and should be mailed in one package.

Q: What is the amount of the scholarship award?

A: The amount of scholarship awards may vary.

Q: How can scholarship awards be applied?

A: Funds may only be used to pay tuition, fees, books and supplies as required by your courses.

Q: What school may I attend?

A: You must be a student enrolled at any recognized institution in the State of California whose school of nursing is accredited by the California Board of Registered Nursing leading to a degree, diploma or certificate, provided the institution meets the criteria in the following paragraph. Recipients must be enrolled full-time each semester and be working toward an undergraduate degree.

The institution must be an educational organization that normally maintains a regular faculty and curriculum and normally has a regularly enrolled body of pupils or students in attendance at the place where its educational activities are regularly conducted. To the extent the institution is involved in the selection of the recipients (if at all), that involvement must comply with the Scholarship Program's policy of awarding scholarships on an objective and non-discriminatory basis as well as the Scholarship Program's Conflict of Interest Policy.

Q: How will I be notified if I am chosen as a recipient?

A: All applicants will be notified in writing by email, whether or not they have been selected to receive a scholarship. Those students selected will download a package from their online account that includes a scholarship agreement and information about the scholarship terms.

Q: Is this scholarship renewable?

A: This scholarship is for one year only; however, current recipients may reapply and be considered for additional funding along with other new applicants. Scholarship recipients must be enrolled full-time. Scholarship recipients are limited to four total years of scholarship award and are expected to have been enrolled consecutive years during that time. Students must reapply for additional scholarship awards each year. An award is not guaranteed, and students will be included in the pool of new scholarship applicants.