

Guidelines: Global Health Education Scholarship (GHES) for Graduate Nurses

Description:

The purpose of this scholarship is to assist learners with expenses related to course practicum learning opportunities with marginalized populations in remote regions of Canada and overseas.

The Global Health Education Scholarship (GHES) is awarded on a one-time basis and available to all MN, MN-NP, and Post-Master NP student learners completing placements during the second year of their studies at the Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing.

Consideration will be given to expenses associated with flights, accommodation, and professional fees only.

The amount awarded will vary, depending on the number of applicants, up to a maximum of \$1,500. The total amount of available funds will be determined by the Chief Administrative Officer. The funding may not cover the entire amount requested by the applicant and there is no guarantee of funding.

Eligibility:

In order to be eligible for this scholarship the learner must be:

- A registered full-time MN, MN-NP, or Post-Master NP student in good academic standing
- Registered in the second year of the program in courses: NUR1115, NUR1116, NUR1117, NUR1110, or NUR1072 (Students enrolled in NUR1101, NUR1102, or NUR1114 are not eligible for these funds.)
- Requesting funds to support current clinical or administrative placement for travel to remote sites with marginalized groups within or outside Canada for a required program course
- Travelling in the academic year the grant is awarded

Other Conditions:

- Must complete pre-departure training from the Safety Abroad Program at the Centre for International Experience at the University of Toronto, if practicum is outside Canada (http://www.cie.utoronto.ca/Safety/Workshops.htm)
- Travel to conferences, exchange programs, courses or seminars, or for travel to do clinical work for personal preference or convenience will not be considered
- Students granted the scholarship must present a report of their experiences (format to be decided by the course instructor). In addition, this report must be

submitted to the Director of Graduate Programs and may be forwarded to the funder/ donor of this scholarship

Application Procedure:

The learner must submit:

- A description of the practicum location, nature of experience, rationale for choice of practicum, goals and associated learning plan, and achievement indicators (maximum one page)
- A brief travel itinerary and budget
- Confirmation from the clinical placement coordinator that the placement location is appropriate for the program and the budget is appropriate

A letter of reference is not required.

Deadlines:

Open for MN, MN-NP, and Post-Master NP, students to apply by June 1st prior to the fall semester, February 1st prior to the summer semester, and October 1st prior to the winter semester. In all cases, applications must be received at least *three months prior* to the anticipated day of travel.

Review Process:

- 1. All applications are to be submitted to the Graduate Clinical Placement Coordinator who is Chair of the GHES committee.
- 2. The Chair will review submission for completeness and convene at least three faculty and/or staff (January and June/year) to rank applications.
- 3. The GHES committee will rank applicants according to:
 - a. Relevance and clarity of practicum project (i.e., goals and associated learning plan, and achievement indicators)
 - b. Academic grades to date
- 4. The GHES committee will have the right to decline applications regardless of availability of funds.
- 5. Students will be advised of the committee's decision within one month of the application due date.

How the scholarship will be given:

The scholarship will be released to applicants upon submission of proof of flight reservations, hotel bookings, or other relevant expenses. Original documents are required.

Note: Recipients will be recognized at the Annual Lawrence S. Bloomberg Student Award Ceremony.