



Peace Corps Fellows Scholarship Application for Returned Peace Corps Volunteers (AY 2011-2012)

General Eligibility Requirements for Scholarships:

1. Applicant must be admitted to or enrolled as a full-time student in the University of Alabama School of Nursing at UAB in either the BSN or AMNP program. Enrollment requirements do not have to be met at the time of application, but must be met before scholarship funds are distributed.
2. Applicant must commit to do the second year residency requirement at the University of Alabama at Birmingham Hospital.
3. **Applications and all supporting documents, including essay, letter of recommendation forms, and recommendation letters must be received by the Office of Student Affairs, UAB School of Nursing, Room 214, SON Building at the same time as the application deadline to be considered for the scholarship award. See page 3 for additional information on supporting documents. No applications will be accepted after the deadline; your application package must be complete by then to be considered.**
4. We strongly encourage all applicants to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid through the UAB Financial Aid Office in order to be considered for need-based scholarships.

Administration of Scholarships:

1. Selection of scholarship recipients will be made by a School of Nursing Scholarship Committee appointed by the Dean in accordance with the general guidelines and specific criteria for the scholarship.
2. Scholarship awards will first be applied toward the recipient's tuition and fees (through the UAB Office of Financial Aid) for terms in which he or she is enrolled as a full-time student and in a regular clinical nursing course. Any scholarship funds in excess of the amount required for tuition and fees will be disbursed to the student for books, supplies, or school-related expenses when the terms of the particular scholarship allow this.

Application Procedure

1. Complete the Peace Corps Fellows Scholarship application.
2. Submit two recommendation packets (recommendation form and letter) completed by a previous college faculty member and/or your current employer. This packet should be returned to you in a sealed envelope to include with your application.
3. Write an essay (no longer than two double-spaced pages) addressing how the scholarship would assist you in your nursing career, reasons for selecting nursing as a career, your plans for the future, your involvement in the Peace Corps, UAB and/or the community. The essay will be evaluated on content, grammar and style.
4. **The student will be responsible for submitting all application documents in one packet.**

Mail completed packet to:
Office of Student Affairs, NB 214, School of Nursing Building
1530 3rd Avenue South, Birmingham, AL 35294-1210

**PLEASE SUBMIT PEACE CORPS SCHOLARSHIP PACKET
WITH THE SAME DEADLINE AS THE APPLICATION PACKET**

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Name _____
Last First Middle

Preferred Name _____ Email: _____

UAB Student Number: _____ Home Phone Number: _____
Cell Phone Number: _____

Current Mailing Address _____

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

County and State of Legal Residence _____

In which program or you enrolled? BSN AMNP

Date(s) that you served in the Peace Corps: _____

Other degrees received _____

Anticipated Term of Admission _____ GPA _____

Term Admitted to the SON _____ Expected Term of Graduation _____

Area or Specialization within Nursing in which you have a strong interest _____

Are you a native UAB student?(Have you attended UAB for all of your coursework?) Yes No

Do you intend to become licensed and practice nursing in the State of Alabama? _____

Are you a resident of Alabama? Yes No

Are you working full-time or part-time? (please circle one if applicable)

If so, where are you working? _____ Total # of hours worked per week? _____

Does your employer offer tuition benefits? yes no If so, how much? _____

Have you completed a 2010-2011 Free Application for Federal Student Aid through the UAB
Financial Aid Office? Yes No

Please tell us about your volunteer work while in the Peace Corps:

Additional Information (include any previous work experiences, nursing or not, or activities you would like for us to know about.)



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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A completed application form, two signed copies of the Letter of Recommendation form, and two reference letters are required. Please see Letter of Recommendation form for instructions for reference letters (immediate supervisor or faculty member preferred). Only two reference letters will be accepted, and applications will not be considered complete without them. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that his or her completed application and letters are received by the SON Student Affairs Office, in **one packet**, by the application deadline.

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information provided on this scholarship application is true and that I personally composed the essay included herein. I grant permission to release information from my educational and financial records to the scholarship committee and to scholarship donors. I also grant permission to UAB to use comments and any other information from my application for publication purposes.

I also agree to return all funds awarded to me if I do not complete the first year of the program at the UAB School of Nursing,

(Applicant's Signature)

(Date)



**Academic Scholarship Application
Letter of Recommendation #1**

Applicant Last Name _____ **First Name** _____ **MI** _____

Your letter of recommendation will help us to gain a better understanding of the student’s interests and performance. The student listed above is requesting your recommendation for an academic scholarship for the 2010-2011 school year.

Instructions

On a separate piece of letterhead paper, please comment on the following, using examples when possible:

- 1. The applicant’s character
- 2. The applicant’s academic performance
- 3. The applicant’s potential for success in her/his career in nursing

Please attach this cover sheet to your letter and return it to the applicant in a sealed envelope with your initials. S/he will submit it along with the other application materials.

Permission to Publicize

If selected to receive the scholarship, the UAB School of Nursing may use information provided by the student and his/her references to publicize the award. We publish only positive comments, but if you do not wish for quotes to be used from your letter, please check the box below.

I do not grant the School of Nursing permission to use quotes from my reference.

Your Contact Information (please print)

Your Last Name: _____ First: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

How do you know the applicant? _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return this form and recommendation letter to the student.



**Academic Scholarship Application
Letter of Recommendation #2**

Applicant Last Name _____ **First Name** _____ **MI** _____

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