

OLIVET COLLEGE RN-BSN PROGRAM BATTLE CREEK AND CALHOUN COUNTY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



Grant Title: Building Emergency Preparedness in Battle Creek and Calhoun County Communities through Scholarships for Nurses Program

Purpose: Nurses supported by these scholarships will study their health care community's response to the COVID-19 pandemic and create an evidenced-based emergency preparedness response for the institutions where they practice.

Award Components: Five (5) \$5,000 Scholarships applied directly to the cost of tuition and fees for RN-BSN Program students who agree to work throughout the program to assess the community served to find gaps and provide evidenced-based interventions to promote health and quality of life.

Criteria

- Must be employed as a registered nurse licensed and working in the Battle Creek/Calhoun County communities.
- Must be accepted to the Olivet College RN-BSN Program.
 - Complete the application for admission
 - Submit official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended
 - Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
- Must agree to work with a mentor to conduct a community assessment, find opportunities and disseminate findings to help develop resilience and crisis readiness in the Battle Creek / Calhoun County community. This community will likely be a sub-community. For example, patients with diabetes seeking care in a wound clinic during COVID-19 or patients experiencing delayed procedures related to COVID-19. The sky is really the limit.
- As part of the RN-BSN Program recipients must agree to share an evidenced-based deliverable product that supports emergency preparedness and is aimed to improve health outcomes and quality of life in the recipient's community with the scholarship funder.
 - The deliverable product will support an emergency preparedness development model that includes innovative ideas and policies (if appropriate) to improve physical, mental and spiritual health through the arts and humanities to enrich lives, and ultimately, positively influence health and quality of life.
- Preference will be given to students with a GPA of at least 3.25 in the ADN program.

Goals and Objectives

Studies have shown that health care organizations with increased numbers of baccalaureate prepared registered nurses experience decreased morbidity and mortality of patients. The goal of this proposed program is to increase the number of baccalaureate degree nurses in Battle Creek and Calhoun County who: 1) are ready to become community change agents; 2) can study and create an evidenced-based emergency preparedness response to their local health care community's response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and, 3) contribute to the ultimate outcome of improved health and quality of life in their home communities. Students will conduct community assessments, find opportunities for improvement, and disseminate their findings to help develop resilience and crisis readiness in their own communities.

Application Process

Applicant must submit the following items:

- Complete the attached application form (must be typed).
- One professional letter of recommendation.

Deadline:

Summer 2021 Start Date Deadline: **Friday, May 7 at 5 p.m. EST**

Fall 2021 Start Date Deadline: **Friday, July 23 at 5 p.m. EST**

Recipient Notification:

Seven days after deadline, via email.

Submission

Please send the fillable application and a professional letter of recommendation attached in a single email to:

Dr. Lorraine Manier, Olivet College Director of Nursing Education
Imanier@olivetcollege.edu

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ RN license number: _____

Email: _____

ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

Provide the following information for the college at which your ADN was granted:

College at which ADN was granted: _____

G.P.A. _____ Date of graduation: _____

List any awards received: _____

Title of capstone project in ADN program: _____

Other scholarly work: _____

EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

Place of employment: _____

Date of hire: _____ Location: _____

Current position: _____ Prior position(s): _____

Committee work: _____

ATTACH A PROFESSIONAL LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

PERSONAL ATTESTATION: I the undersigned do fully agree that if I am awarded this scholarship I will comply with its requirements including an evidenced-based deliverable product that supports emergency preparedness aimed at improving health outcomes and quality of life in my community. I attest that the information provided by me, the undersigned, as stated herein is true and accurate and representative of my own work. I further understand that if the information proves to be inaccurate or false, it will serve as grounds for immediate disqualification.

Signature: _____ Date: _____