

# FOUNDATION FOR ACADEMIC NURSING

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES OF NURSING

## Deborah E. Trautman Future Nurse Leader Scholarship

Funded by **Liaison International**, the American Association of Colleges of Nursing's (AACN's) partner in NursingCAS, this scholarship and leadership development program was created in honor of AACN's President and CEO Dr. Deborah Trautman.

### OVERVIEW

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This \$3,500 scholarship is designed to recognize graduate nursing students who aspire to leadership positions in academic nursing. In addition to \$2,000 to cover educational expenses, funded students will participate in a leadership development experience with Dr. Trautman at AACN's headquarters in Washington, DC. Up to \$1,500 of the scholarship award will be used to cover travel expenses for the leadership development program. Two scholarships will be awarded annually.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

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This scholarship is open to:

- Students in master's and doctoral nursing programs at AACN member [schools affiliated with NursingCAS](#).
- Students who demonstrate a commitment to academic nursing.
- Students currently enrolled and in good academic standing.
- Students who are members of AACN's [Graduate Nursing Student Academy](#) (GNSA - membership is free).

### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

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1. A concise essay (no more than 500 words) outlining career achievements, desire to aspire to a future leadership position in academia, and your vision for academic nursing.
2. A CV or resume that includes key milestones related to your leadership and career development (i.e. conference attendance, poster presentations, publications, etc.).
3. Goals (3-4 bullets) for what you hope to achieve during the leadership development experience with Dr. Trautman.
4. Two letters of recommendation, including one from the nursing school dean or director.
5. A signed commitment statement agreeing to complete the leadership development component of this program. Failure to complete this requirement will forfeit your scholarship funding.

### TIMELINE

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- October 1 - Application closes
- November 30 - Applications reviewed and recipients identified

## APPLICATION CONTENTS

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### General Information and Faculty Advisor Information

- Name and contact information
- Current academic information (school, program, major, GPA, expected graduation date, advisor information, unofficial transcript, and nursing license information)

### Essay on Vision for Academic Nursing

- Concise Essay (no more than 500 words) that outlines:
  - Career achievements
  - Desire to aspire to future leadership positions in academia
  - Your vision for academic nursing

*\*This essay should be copy and pasted directly into the application.*

### CV or Resume

- Upload a CV or resume that identifies key milestones related to your leadership and career development.

*\*The CV or resume should be uploaded into the application and should be in MS word or PDF format.*

### Goals

- Include 3-4 bullets for what you hope to achieve during the leadership development experience with Dr. Trautman.

### Letters of Recommendation

- Upload two letters of recommendation. One letter must be from the nursing school dean or director.

*\*The letters of recommendation must be uploaded separately and should be in MS word or PDF format.*

### Commitment Statement

- Attach a signed commitment statement agreeing to complete the leadership development component of this program. To access a template for this commitment statement, [click here](#).

## QUESTIONS

If you have any questions about this application, contact Marta Okoniewski, Director of Student Engagement, at [mokoniewski@aacnnursing.org](mailto:mokoniewski@aacnnursing.org) or at 202-463-6930 x.220.