

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

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 one-on-one 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 three-day leadership development program. Two scholarships will be awarded annually.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

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.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

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 3-day leadership development component of this program. Failure to complete this requirement will forfeit your scholarship funding.

TIMELINE FOR 2020

- January 29, 2021 - Application opens
- October 1, 2021 - Application closes
- November 30, 2021 - Applications reviewed and recipients identified

- June - August 2022 - Three-day leadership development experience in Washington, DC (Specific dates identified by student and AACN)

***Please review the directions and application contents below before accessing the online application. Application must be completed in one sitting.**

APPLICATION CONTENTS

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 3-day 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 or at 202-463-6930 x.220.