The Public & Community Health Benefit Scholarship

The purpose of the Public and Community Health scholarship is to advance/improve public health in Nevada; the scholarship will be awarded to a student in recognition of excellence in the area of service to public health (on-going community benefit project; volunteering; significant internship; etc). The scholarship will first be applied to any tuition balance the student may have; and any remaining funds shall be distributed to the student as a monetary award.

Recipients may reapply for this scholarship in subsequent years, provided they maintain the scholarship criteria and remain in good standing with the institution. Any Change of Conditions to this document reference the policies of the Board of Regents of the NSHE, the University.

Any Donor contributing to the scholarship fund may not participate in the selection of students for this award.

The candidate(s) shall be selected by the School of Community Health Sciences (Scholarship Committee) from among those applying through Financial Aid and Scholarships (Office). If the Faculty fail to determine an eligible candidate(s) for the scholarship, the Office shall make such determination. The Office shall administer the funding of the Public & Community Health Benefit Scholarship.

The Public & Community Health Benefit Scholarship shall be awarded to a student who meets, or exceeds, the following criteria:

1. Student must be admitted to UNLV;
2. Student must complete a UNLV Scholarship Application each year they wish to be considered for the scholarship;
3. Student must be pursuing a Masters (MHA or MPH) or a PhD degree in the School of Community Health Sciences; and
4. Student must have at least a 3.0 graduate cumulative UNLV grade point average.

Application Process:

Students should submit the following application materials to Dr. Courtney Coughenour via e-mail no later than April 7, 2017:

1) A summary of their activities and how they benefit public health in Nevada (no more than 1 page)
2) A copy of their current resume.
3) The name and phone number of their mentor/supervisor/advisor, who will be contacted.
4) List their current cumulative GPA.
5) Email subject line should contain “LAST NAME and AWARD being applied to”.

The award will be given at the May 5th, 2017 School of Community Health Sciences Honors Ceremony. Attendance is required.