ARMY NURSE CORPS ASSOCIATION

2010 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Army Nurse Corps Association is seeking applications from qualified students, in conjunction with their college or university (hereafter referred to as “school”) for the 2010 Scholarship Program. The 2010 scholarship is named in honor of Captain Gussie M. Jones, AN, who died of non-battle related causes in Iraq. She was the first African-American Army Nurse to die while assigned to a theater of operations.

For 2010, some of the application processes have been changed and differ from your experiences with the scholarship program in past years. The major change involves the application being initiated directly by the student(s). The process will require a comprehensive letter from the Dean of the School or his/her representative which will be an integral part of the student(s) application. Previously, the school submitted an application for an Army Nurse Corps Association (ANCA) scholarship grant which was awarded to the school. The majority of schools submitted an application on behalf of a specific student(s). In 2010, a new application form will be initiated by the student. He/she will also have the responsibility for coordinating the school’s input to his/her application. The association hopes these changes will eliminate some of the confusion associated with the previous process. The success of the student’s application for the $3,000.00 scholarship will depend equally on the application and the school’s input concerning the school and student. More than one student may apply from a school but each student will have to submit a separate application with separate supporting documentation. In the past, some schools would apply on behalf of several students, but a single scholarship grant was awarded to the school as specified in ANCA policy at the time. This process had some inherent inequities.

ANCA will continue to rely heavily on the dissemination of scholarship information through the school’s communication channels. The attached “Army Nurse Corps Association 2010 Scholarship Program” flyer contains an introduction of the scholarship eligibility and application process. This flyer does not carry a copyright, so can be reproduced by the school. The flyer outlines five categories of students who are eligible to apply. These categories do focus on students with a current or previous relationship to a component of the U.S. Army. The ANCA scholarships are made possible by donations from Army Nurses and their desire is to assist such students. ANCA has also increased the number of scholarships to be awarded in 2010. The cutoff date for submission of application is April 1, 2010. The school will still be notified if the applicant is selected.

As stated in the flyer, complete information about eligibility and the application process, to include necessary forms and content requirements, is outlined in the “ANCA Scholarship Program Guidelines and Application” available for downloading, and in some cases completion, at the ANCA website http://e-anca.org under the “Scholarship” tab. A copy of this document is attached for the school’s reference and use as desired.

Questions should be sent by e-mail to education@e-anca.org, or through the “Contact Us” page (Department Routing : Scholarship) on the website. Our mailing address is: Army Nurse Corps Association, Scholarship Program; PO Box 39235; San Antonio, TX 78218-1235.

In advance, thank you for your cooperation and we look forward to hearing from you and your students.

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THE ARMY NURSE CORPS ASSOCIATION
2010 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Army Nurse Corps Association (ANCA) was founded as the Retired Army Nurse Corps Association in 1997. Membership is comprised of Army Nurse Corps officers from the Active Army, Army National Guard, or the Army Reserve. They may be currently serving, retired or honorably discharged from one of these components of the US Army. One of the Association’s major programs is the Education Fund.

The purpose of the Army Nurse Corps Association Education Fund is to award scholarships to students attending accredited baccalaureate or graduate nursing or anesthesia programs. Students attending other accredited nursing programs may also be eligible.

In 2010, the scholarships will be awarded in memory of Captain Gussie M. Jones, AN, who died of non-battle related causes in Iraq. She was the first African-American Army Nurse to die while assigned to a theater of operations.

For complete information, to include an application for an ANCA scholarship, download the ANCA Scholarship Program Guidelines and Application from our website (http://eanca.org) under “scholarships”. (Note: the application can be completed on-screen at this location.)

Eligibility Criteria

> Nursing students who plan to enter a component of the US Army and are enrolled in a program not funded by a component of the US Army.
> Nursing students who have previously served in a component of the US Army.
> Army Nurse Corps officers in a component of the US Army enrolled in a nursing or other eligible program not funded by the US Army.
> Army enlisted soldiers in a component of the US Army enrolled in a nursing program not funded by the US Army.
> Nursing students whose parent(s) and/or spouse are or have served in a component of the US Army.

General Information

ANCA scholarships are $3,000 per selected applicant. All applications are due by April 1, 2010 and will be reviewed by the ANCA Education Committee. Selected students and their school will be notified within a few weeks. Scholarship funds are sent to the school on behalf of the student and not sent directly to the student. Prior arrangements will be made with the student and the school to ensure that the funds are available to the student. The application process requires close collaboration between the student and the school.

The Army Nurse Corps Association does not have an official relationship with the US Army, the Army Nurse Corps or the Reserve Officer Training Corps. Therefore, there is not a military service obligation for the student receiving this scholarship. Scholarship ROTC students are not eligible.

Specific Information

Interested qualified students may obtain additional information by downloading the ANCA Scholarship Program Guidelines and Application from our website (http://eanca.org). You may contact us at education@eanca.org, use our website “Contact Us” page (Departmental Routing: Scholarships) or write to:

Army Nurse Corps Association
Scholarship Program
PO Box 39235
San Antonio TX 78218-1235
ARMY NURSE CORPS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
GUIDELINES AND APPLICATION

HISTORY OF THE ARMY NURSE CORPS ASSOCIATION

In 1976, a group of retired Army Nurse Corps Officers expressed their desire to continue the camaraderie and close ties of the Army Nurse Corps in retired life and to establish a means of communication by, for and about Army nurses. The Retired Army Nurse Corps Association (RANCA) emerged and was incorporated in 1977. In 2000, the name was changed to the Army Nurse Corps Association (ANCA) to better reflect the membership composition.

Membership is comprised of Army Nurse Corps officers from the Active Army, Army National Guard or the Army Reserve. They may be currently serving, retired or honorably discharged from one of these components.

In accordance with our stated purpose, the association promotes literary, educational, research, charitable and artistic endeavors. One of those programs is the Army Nurse Corps Association Scholarship Program.

ARMY NURSE CORPS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The purpose of this program is to provide $3,000.00 scholarships to nursing students who are attending colleges and universities, hereafter referred to as schools, with accredited baccalaureate and graduate nursing programs, including AD-BSN, BSN accelerated nursing, anesthesia, masters and doctoral programs. Students eligible to apply for a scholarship include:

 Nursi ng students who plan to enter the Active Army, Army National Guard or Army Reserve and are not participating in a program funded by the Active Army, Army National Guard or Army Reserve.

 Nursin g students who have previously served in the Active Army, Army National Guard or Army Reserve.

Army Nurse Corps officers enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate nursing program not funded by the Active Army, Army National Guard or Army Reserve.

Army enlisted soldiers in the Active Army, Army National Guard or Army Reserve who are working toward a baccalaureate degree in nursing not funded by the Active Army, Army National Guard or Army Reserve.

Nursing students whose parent(s) or spouse are serving or have served in the Active Army, Army National Guard or Army Reserve.
Students receiving GI Bill benefits are not precluded from receiving an ANCA scholarship. Students who are receiving an ROTC scholarship are not eligible; however, ROTC students not receiving a scholarship are eligible. Students attending school part-time are eligible to apply, but funds will be distributed by the school to the student only for educational expenses while attending classes. Receipt of an ANCA scholarship in the past does not precluded the applicant from receiving a scholarship in subsequent years.

The Army Nurse Corps Association Scholarship Program is not a US Army, Army Nurse Corps or Reserve Officer Training Corps sponsored program. ANCA does not have an official affiliation with the Army Nurse Corps or the U.S. Army and there is not a military service obligation incurred by the student who receives scholarship funds through this program. Interested students with questions concerning service in one of the components of the Army should contact a military recruiter.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Pages 5 to 8 of this brochure constitute the “basic scholarship application” Additional attachments, described below under “Endorsements and Recommendations”, must be appended to the basic application before submission to ANCA.

ENDORSEMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Letter from Dean, School of Nursing: You need to attach or have sent separately a letter of endorsement from your nursing school’s dean or his/her authorized representative. If forwarded separately from the student’s application, the letter should be addressed to Army Nurse Corps Association, Scholarship Program, PO Box 39235, San Antonio, TX 78218-1235. The student should make a comment in their application that the letter is being sent separately. An application will not be considered until this letter is received. If more than one student from the school is applying, there should be an individual letter for each student.

In the selection process, the committee will be interested in the school the applicant is attending. Therefore, the dean’s letter should provide ANCA with a brief, comprehensive description of the school. Areas to include are:

- general comments about the applicant with emphasis on his/her progress, potential and motivation.
- information about the school, to include history and purpose, philosophy of nursing and education, and other significant demographic information.
- populations and students served to include significant minority groups and non-traditional students.
- unique faculty attributes to include knowledge and/or involvement in activities to enhance understanding of Army nursing and opportunities.
- educational methodologies to include distance learning, simulation laboratories, clinical affiliations, and other unique educational approaches.
- accreditation and tax exempt status.
- relationships and cooperation with Army nursing recruitment activities, including initiatives beyond mutual ROTC support.
School Financial Information Form: ANCA does not disburse scholarship funds directly to the student. If you are selected to receive an Army Nurse Corps Association scholarship, the funds will be sent in a one-time check to the school for your use in defraying direct education costs. Therefore, you need to include the School Financial Information Form (Page 8) from the school concerning who should receive your scholarship funds and outlining how your scholarship funds will be managed. This form is found on Page 8 and must be completed for you by the school and included in your application.

Letters of Recommendation: You should include any letters of recommendation or other information you feel will enhance your application. This is a highly competitive scholarship program and you will be represented only by information contained in your application. It is not required, but you may include a photograph.

Military Service: If you have had any contact(s) about service in the Active Army, Army National Guard and/or Army Reserve, please include evidence of such contact in your application. If you have previously served in one of the above components of the US Army, please include appropriate information (i.e., DD Form 214) to substantiate this service. If you have made any commitments to one of the components of the US Army include copies of pertinent documentation. ANCA will contact these entities, as necessary, to verify the information. If you are selected to receive an ANCA scholarship, your contact information will be supplied to the appropriate Army nurse recruiting personnel. Otherwise, none of the information in your application will be shared with any agency outside of ANCA nor are you obligated to serve in the US Army.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION INFORMATION

An application must be postmarked by April 1st of each year. Applications may be forwarded electronically to education@e-anca.org (transmittal in Microsoft Word format is necessary). The mailing address for the application is:

Army Nurse Corps Association
Scholarship Program
PO Box 39235
San Antonio, TX 78218-1235

The Army Nurse Corps Association cannot receive United Parcel Service or FEDEX packages. All correspondence should be sent to the postal or e-mail address

If you are selected by the ANCA Education Committee, written notification will be sent to you, your school advisor/dean and the department designated by the school to be the responsible for managing your scholarship funds. Notification will be sent as soon as possible after the April 1st deadline. Please be sure that ANCA has a current address to contact you and the school.

QUESTIONS

Questions concerning the application process should be sent via our email address education@e-anca.org or our website http://e-anca.org/ContactUs.htm.
Your local military recruiter and/or ROTC Detachment may or may not have specific information about this program so please address questions directly to the Army Nurse Corps Association.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

This checklist is provided for use in ensuring that your application is complete. Prior to forwarding your application, be sure the following documents are included or arrangements have been made from them to be incorporated into your application:

- Army Nurse Corps Association Scholarship Application (Page 5)
- Letter from the Dean, School of Nursing (Page 2)
  (Letter is either included or arrangements are made to send it directly to ANCA.)
- School Financial Information Form (Page 8)
- Official College Transcript (Page 6)
- Letter(s) of Recommendation, as desired (Page 3)
- Actual or Potential Military Service Documents (Page 3)
- Photograph, if desired (Page 3)
ARMY NURSE CORPS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

This application is completed by the student. It forms the main part of the application along with other requested information. (Please print or type)

Applicant’s Name: ________________________________
Mailing Address: ________________________________

E-Mail Address: __________________________ Telephone: ______-_______
Name of School ________________________________
School Mailing Address: ________________________________

Program of Study: ________________________________

Student Status (Full or Part-time ) and Anticipated Graduation Date: ________________________________

Name and E-Mail of School Advisor: ________________________________

Telephone: ________________________________

Qualification Category of Applicant:

☐ I plan to enter the Active Army, Army National Guard or the Army Reserve as a nurse and I am not participating in a program funded by any component of the US Army.

☐ I have previously served in the Active Army, Army National Guard or Army Reserve. (Please enclose a copy of your DD Form 214 or similar document)

Comments


| I am an Army Nurse Corps officer enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate nursing program *not* funded by the Active Army, Army National Guard or Army Reserve. |
| I am enlisted in the Active Army, Army National Guard or Army Reserve studying toward a baccalaureate degree in nursing *not* funded by the Active Army, Army National Guard or Army Reserve. |
| I have a mother and/or father or spouse who is/are serving or have served in the Active Army, Army National Guard or Army Reserve. |

GPA _______________________  (Include an official transcript authenticated by school)

Ethnicity: (optional, for statistical purposes only) ____________________________  Gender: _______

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**Personal Statement:** Present any information you would like the scholarship selection committee to consider. Include professional career objectives, reasons for applying for the ANCA scholarship, need, special considerations, etc. Advise the committee of your personal and academic interests and why you are pursuing a nursing career. Also include any contacts with the U.S. Army, Army National Guard or Army Reserve. This form is an extremely important part of the application and should be prepared carefully and be legible. You may attach a typed statement in lieu of using this area.

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(You may include additional information on a separate sheet and attach it to your application)

The information contained in this application is true and correct. I understand that if I am selected to receive an ANCA scholarship, my name will be shared with US Army nurse recruiting personnel. I understand that I am under no obligation to serve in the US Army.

**Student Signature** ________________________________ **Date** ______________
SCHOOL FINANCIAL INFORMATION FORM

This document is to be completed by the school to provide information about the management of the student’s Army Nurse Corps Association (ANCA) scholarship funds. If the student is selected, the scholarship funds will be sent in the student’s name to the appropriate department at the school as indicated on this form.

Name of Student:_______________________________________________________________

The responsible department at the school is:
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How will the scholarship funds be managed. (ANCA does not send scholarship funds directly to the student)
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If the student is selected for a scholarship, what information should be placed in the “Pay To The Order Of” section of the check?
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Contact Information:
  Name:______________________________________________________________
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Authenticating signature:_______________________________________________________

If further information is needed please e-mail ANCA at education@e-anca.org.

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