

Nursing Scholarships

In this country, we have a critical need for nurses. One report by the U.S. department of health and human services, indicates (<http://www.discovernursing.com/job-opportunities>) that the demand for nurses will be 213, 500 by 2010 and up to 800,000 by 2020.

The government and various organizations are beginning to respond to this need by providing scholarships for those wanting to go to nursing school. However, you have to do your research. These companies don't come knocking on your door. You have to find them down and be assertive in your application process. The following are a few nursing scholarship links that may help you get started if you are not a nurse yet, but are just entering the nursing program.

<http://bhpr.hrsa.gov/nursing/scholarship/>

<http://www.blackexcel.org/nursing-scholarships.html>

<http://www.minoritynurse.com/financial/scholarships.html>

<http://www.nsna.org/foundation/>

It is always worth a try to see if you can get a scholarship so it won't be such a hardship on your finances, especially if you are going to school and trying to support a family at the same time.

Nursing school is not easy. It is a full time job. You have to really study and work hard. It's not like it was when you were getting your pre-requirements done. They cover a great deal of information in a short period of time.

In addition to scholarships, some hospitals now have programs to fund selected individuals through nursing school. In return, you will be required to work for the hospital for a certain period of time when you are finished with school. You may want to check with the human resource departments of your local hospitals to see if they happen to offer any such program.

Regardless, nursing is one of the best professions to get into right now. The demand and income outlook is good for years to come. It's also a highly regarded profession that deals with many different patient populations from babies to the elderly to fit most personality types. Once you have at least one year experience, you can also travel the United States while working as a traveling nurse. What a great way to see the country.