

When and How to Apply

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Rural Nurse Practitioner Scholarship Program



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Illinois Farm Bureau® Rural Nurse Practitioner Scholarship Program

This program, which started in 1992, is an effort to encourage and develop a pool of rural health practitioners to help meet the needs of primary care in rural Illinois.

Grant Information

Based upon selection by the Scholarship Committee, a grant award of \$4,000 shall be paid directly to the recipient's educational institution offering the approved nurse practitioner curriculum. Payment shall be made in two installments, the first in September and the second in January of the academic year. Upon each installment, the student agrees to sign a promissory note.

Grants are contributed by the Rural Illinois Medical Student Assistance Program (RIMSAP).

Eligibility Requirements

Students applying for the scholarship must have the following credentials:

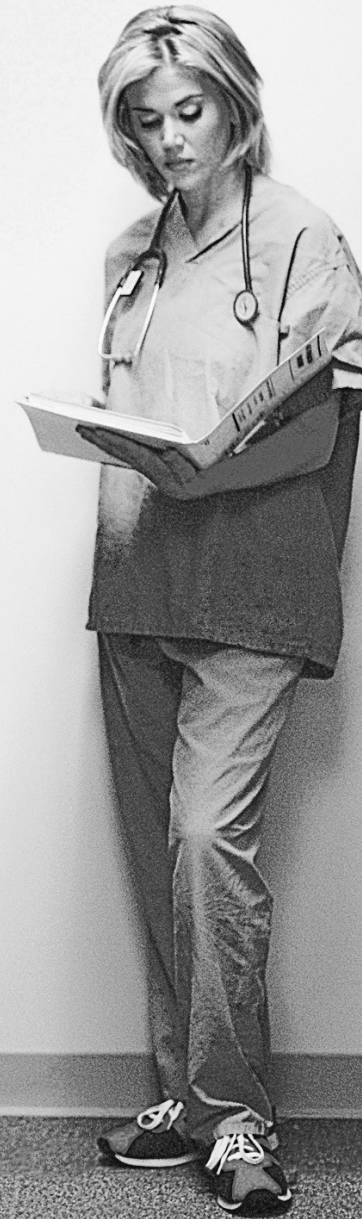
1. Illinois resident
2. Registered nurse in the State of Illinois
3. University Nurse Practitioner Program acceptance

Applicants must submit a transcript of prior academic work and three letters of reference, one of which shall be from a registered nurse.

Recipients must agree to practice as a nurse practitioner in an approved rural community in Illinois for two years.

For the purpose of this program, a rural community is identified by its population and rural character.

Recipients are eligible to receive more than one year of funding by reapplying. If selected to receive an additional year of funding the recipient must practice in a rural area two years for each year of funding received.



Time Table

May 1	Applications due
June	Illinois Farm Bureau Nurse Practitioner Scholarship Committee recommends recipients to the Grant Providers
July	Recipient(s) are notified.
Sept.	First installment paid to university.
Jan.	Recipient submits a one-page progress report to Scholarship Committee.
Jan.	Second installment paid to university.
May	Second progress report is submitted to Committee.

Upon graduation, recipient must submit a letter to the Scholarship Committee verifying employment in a rural community. After completion of the two years of service, the recipient must verify he/she has been employed in a rural area.