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Edna Aimes Scholarship for Academic Year 2017-2018

HISTORY

The Edna Aimes Scholarship is awarded annually by the Mental Health Association in New York State, Inc. (MHANYS). It is named for Edna Gentry Aimes, who bequeathed funds to MHANYS for the scholarship in 1965. Ms. Aimes was a pioneer in mental health work in Columbia County. She served as the charter member and first president of the Columbia County Mental Health Society, and as regional vice-president and secretary of the board of the New York State Mental Health Association.

This scholarship is open to juniors, seniors, and matriculated graduate students attending school in New York State and majoring in a mental health-related field to prepare for a career in mental health. You must be a New York State resident and demonstrate financial need.

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

One individual scholarship for tuition in the amount of \$2,500, plus travel expenses up to \$100 for the scholarship winner to attend MHANYS Annual Awards Dinner on October 18, 2017.

PURPOSE

To encourage the education of individuals to assist in the prevention and treatment of mental illnesses, the promotion of mental health, and the empowerment of adults, children, and families whose lives have been affected by mental illnesses.

Qualifications

1. **Must be in the third or fourth year of a college undergraduate program, or matriculated in a graduate program in New York State;** and majoring in a mental health-related field in preparation for a career in mental health as outlined in the Purpose
2. Must be a legal resident of New York State

Materials to Submit - You MUST SUBMIT 2 copies of each item listed below. Your entry must be postmarked by JUNE 30, 2017. Check off each item submitted. Follow directions carefully.

**** NOTE: The application *will not* be considered for the scholarship if we do not receive TWO copies of all materials. ****

- Completed application form
- Personal statement in 500 words or less
- Completed 2017-2018 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
- Statement of current means of support (e.g. scholarship, work study, employment, family)
- Work experience, including a copy of current résumé
- Extracurricular activities and/or community service
- Copy of college transcripts (**Please note:**This must be mailed to MHANYS directly by the college****)
- Two personal recommendations from people who know you as a college student, or from mental health-related employers (**Please note:**This must be mailed to MHANYS directly by the recommendation writer****)

PLEASE MAIL TWO COPIES OF MATERIALS TO:

Edna Aimes Scholarship Committee
Mental Health Association in NYS, Inc.
194 Washington Avenue, Suite 415
Albany, NY 12210

***** DEADLINE: POSTMARKED BY JUNE 30, 2017 *****

Previous recipients of an Edna Aimes Scholarship are not eligible to apply.

Visit our website for more information: www.MHANYS.org



2017-2018 Edna Aimes Scholarship Application Form

PLEASE fill out all information - PRINT OR TYPE
MHANYS does not discriminate on the basis of age, disability, nationality, ethnic origin, marital status, race, religion, sex, or sexual orientation.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: NY Zip: _____

County: _____ Telephone: (____) _____

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION:

Year of High School Graduation: _____

Name of College or University: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: NY Zip: _____

Degree Sought: Subject _____

Undergraduate: BA/BS ___ BSW ___ Current year of study for degree: 3 ___ 4 ___ 5+ ___

Graduate: MA/MS ___ MSW ___ PhD ___ Other ___ (please describe) _____

Overall GPA: _____ Major GPA (if applicable): _____ Tuition Cost (per semester): \$ _____

Academic honors & distinctions: (attach extra sheet if necessary) _____

PERSONAL STATEMENT:

Write a paragraph of no more than 500 words explaining how you believe your commitment, education, and experience will assist in the prevention and treatment of mental illnesses, the promotion of mental health, and the empowerment of adults, children, and families whose lives have been affected by mental illnesses. Please attach two copies.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Provide two copies of your completed 2017-2018 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and statement of your current means of support (e.g. scholarship, work study, employment, family contribution.)

Total Support: \$ _____ Any other income: _____

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Please attach two copies of your current résumé. Include description of duties, dates, and employers.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND/OR COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Please list on a separate piece of paper. Include two copies.

COLLEGE TRANSCRIPTS:

Please have two copies of your official transcript mailed directly to MHANYS.

PERSONAL RECOMMENDATIONS:

Have two different personal recommendations from people who know you as a college student or from mental health-related employer sent to MHANYS. Please have two copies of each mailed directly to MHANYS.

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