Nelson Family Endowed Scholarship Application

Please complete the application on the back side of this sheet and submit to the Financial Aid Office, 330 Third Street NE, Mayville, ND 58257.

Application Deadline is February 15.

Purpose of the Nelson Family Endowed Scholarship:

The purpose of this scholarship is to help non-traditional students achieve their goals. It is especially intended for those individuals who may be changing their path in life or those pursuing a change in careers. A special emphasis of the scholarship is to promote the concept of volunteerism, leadership development and out of classroom experiences for the recipients of these awards.

Initial Eligibility:

1. Applicants must be 25 years of age or older.
2. Initial academic qualifications include a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher. In order for the scholarship to be renewed, the student must demonstrate improvement in their academic performance.
3. Applicants must demonstrate financial need as evidenced by information submitted through their FAFSA.
4. Recipients must be full time students at Mayville State seeking their first associate’s or bachelor’s degree. Priority consideration will be given to those who are pursuing the majority of their courses in residence at the Mayville State campus, but online students are encouraged to apply as well.
5. Preference in awards will be given to female applicants, but both males and females will be considered.
6. Recipients will be expected to demonstrate their involvement in volunteer or service learning experiences, as well as in internship or out of class experiences.
7. A special application form must be submitted by February 15 in order to be considered for this scholarship. This application will include basic student data and a short essay completed by the applicant to demonstrate their need for financial assistance and their past and planned involvement in volunteer and service learning experiences.
8. The amount of initial scholarship awards will vary depending upon the recipient’s needs but generally would not exceed $7,500 per year.

Eligibility for Renewal:

1. Recipients of the scholarship who wish to be considered for a renewal must apply each year by February 15, using the special application form.
2. Academic performance of past recipients will be considered when making renewal decisions.
3. Past recipients must provide documentation of their involvement in campus or community based volunteer or service learning activities. Recipients are encouraged to enroll in structured service learning courses, internships, leadership development or other formal methods of documenting these out of class accomplishments.
4. Amounts of renewal scholarships may vary from original awards depending upon the unique situation of the student that may vary from year to year. Renewals of scholarships may extend until the completion of a bachelor’s degree, but generally would not be awarded for more than five to six years.
Name of Applicant: ________________________________________________________________

Home Address of Applicant: _______________________________________________________________________

Local Address of Applicant: _______________________________________________________________________

Phone Number: _____________________________ E-mail Address: ________________________________

Gender: ___________________________ Date of Birth: ___________________________ Cumulative GPA: __________

Planned Degree and Major: _______________________________________________________________________

Have you submitted a FAFSA for the next award year? □ Yes □ No Anticipated Graduation Date: ______________

Please describe below in essay format your past experiences, needs, and future plans that you feel make you a good candidate for this special scholarship. Include information about your previous college and work experiences, your financial needs, and your future career and life plans. If you are applying as a new recipient for this scholarship, provide information about your past or current involvement in volunteer or service learning activities in your home community. If you are applying for a renewal of this scholarship, provide information about your involvement this past year in campus based and/or community based service learning, volunteer activities, internships or other experience based activities. Use additional pages if necessary.

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