Guidelines for Helen Bader Age & Community Scholarship
Application for funding for Fall 2016 and Spring 2017

Scholarship Descriptions

The primary purpose of the scholarship is to increase the number of people with the knowledge and skills to work with and on behalf of older adults. The scholarship provides financial support for graduate students who are pursuing a certificate focused on gerontology. Scholarships may be used to cover the cost of tuition, fees, books, and room and board.

Application Criteria

The applicant must:

- Demonstrate a cumulative 3.0 or higher undergraduate GPA or a cumulative 3.0 or higher graduate GPA for at least two consecutive semesters.
- Demonstrate a commitment to the field of gerontology
- Be admitted to the Graduate Certificate Program in Applied Gerontology program at UW-Milwaukee.
- Finish the certificate or take at least six credits toward completion of the certificate during the scholarship year.

Scholarships are for one year. Students may reapply for a second or third year of support; however, they will receive lowest priority in the review of applicants.

Application process

The applicant must submit:

- Two letters of recommendation; at least one that comments on your academic potential.
- An essay from the applicant that addresses his/her unique qualifications for receiving this award, including experience in and dedication to the field of aging.
- Undergraduate transcripts and graduate transcripts (if applicable); For UWM students, unofficial transcripts are acceptable. You may request unofficial transcripts through your PAWS account up to once per day by selecting "Other Academics" in your Student Center.
- Applicants must be enrolled in the certificate program at the time of application. New applicants to the certificate must contact Rachelle Alioto (ralioto@uwm.edu, 414.229.7313) to discuss their plan of study prior to submitting the scholarship application.

Deadlines

Applications must be received in the Center for Aging and Translational Research by Friday, March 4, 2016. Awards will be announced no later than March 31st.

Application materials should be hand delivered or sent (the postmark date must be March 4) to:

The Scholarship Committee, c/o Rachelle Alioto
Center for Aging and Translational Research
by mail: PO Box 413, Milwaukee, WI 53201-0413
in person: Northwest Quadrant, Building B, Suite #1427
by e-mail: catr@uwm.edu

For questions or more information: Phone: 414.229.7313
**Personal Data**

**Name:** __________________________

**Address (campus):** __________________________

**Address (permanent):** __________________________

**Home Phone:** __________________________

**E-Mail:** __________________________

**Student ID #:** __________________________

**Racial/Ethnic Background:** *(optional – check all that apply)*

- [ ] Alaska Native/American Indian
- [ ] Asian
- [ ] Black/African American
- [ ] Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander
- [ ] White
- [ ] Hispanic

**Education**

**Undergraduate Education**

GPA: __________ Degree: ___________________________ Month and Year Received: __________

**Graduate Education**

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Are you currently admitted to the Graduate Certificate in Applied Gerontology Program? [ ] Yes [ ] No

If yes, how many credits do you need to complete the program after the spring 2016 semester? _______

*If I am awarded this scholarship, I understand and affirm the following:*

- If at any time I suspend my studies, I understand that I forfeit the remainder of any scholarship award.
- I understand that I must complete at least six credits that meet requirements for the Graduate Certificate in Applied Gerontology during the fall 2016 or spring 2017 semesters. If I need six or less credits to complete the certificate, I understand that I must complete those credits during the funding period.
- I understand that one-half of the scholarship will be disbursed prior to the start of the fall 2016 semester and the second half will be disbursed prior to the start of the spring 2017 semester and only if I have met the requirements for the scholarship.
- All information provided will be treated confidentially and used only for consideration by the Scholarship Committee.
- I certify that all of the information on this application is correct and complete.
- I will write a thank you note to the Helen Bader Foundation and may be required to attend a scholarship awards ceremony and participate in Center for Aging and Translational Research events.

**Student's Signature** __________________________  **Date** __________________________

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V. Student Statement

Write a short essay (no more than 2 pages) that addresses your unique qualifications for receiving this award, including experience in and dedication to the field of gerontology.