



College of Health and Public Affairs
Health Resources and Services Administration
Scholarship for Disadvantaged Students
Application Guidelines
Fall 2011/Spring 2012

The College of Health and Public Affairs announces the availability of **Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students (SDS)** funded by a grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration. The Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students program promotes diversity among Health Professions students and practitioners by providing scholarships to **full-time, financially needy** students from **disadvantaged backgrounds** who are enrolled in specific health professions programs.

ELIGIBLE ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

The following academic programs in COHPA are eligible for the SDS program:

Graduate Programs

- Master of Arts in Communication Sciences and Disorders
- Master of Sciences in Health Services Administration (HSA)
- Master of Social Work (MSW)

Bachelors Programs

- Communication Sciences

Only students from the above academic programs may apply for this scholarship.

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Must be enrolled full-time in the semesters scholarship is received.
- Must be in good academic standing at UCF.
- Must be a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident.
- Must file a FAFSA for 2011-2012
- Must provide proof of economic disadvantaged background using 2010 Federal Income Tax returns.
 - **DEPENDENT** students (according to FAFSA) – financial eligibility will be determined based on parental income reported on the FAFSA.
 - **INDEPENDENT** students (according to FAFSA):
 - Independent students who are *at least 24 years old and have not been claimed on parental tax returns for the last three years are considered **independent** for the SDS program and eligibility will be based on **student** family income, not parental income.*
 - Students who live independently of parents, but are under the age of 24 or who have been claimed on parental tax returns within the last three years will be considered **dependent** for the SDS program and eligibility will be based on parental income.
- Family income (or parental income for dependent students) MUST fall within the disadvantaged category on the “Health and Human Services Income Guidelines.”

Preference will be given to students for whom the cost of attendance would constitute a severe financial hardship.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Review scholarship criteria to ensure you meet the requirements.
- Complete the Health Resources and Services Administration Scholarship Application and return it, along with required documents, to:

HRSA Scholarship
College of Health and Public Affairs, HPA 1, Room 355
PO Box 162200, Orlando, FL 32815-2200
or FAX to: 407-823-4895
or EMAIL to: cohpascholarships@ucf.edu



**College of Health and Public Affairs
Health Resources and Services Administration
Scholarship for Disadvantaged Students
Application for Fall 2011/Spring 2012**

Name: _____
(Last, First, MI)

PID _____

Academic Program (please check one of the programs listed below):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Sciences and Disorders MA | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services Administration MS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Science and Disorders BA/BS | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Work MSW |

Eligibility Checklist (circle YES/NO for each item below)

- Do you plan to enroll full-time (indicate yes/no for each semester): **Fall 2011** _____ **Spring 2012** _____
- Are you in good academic standing at UCF (for continuing UCF students only)? **YES** **NO**
- Are you a U.S. Citizen or permanent resident*? **YES** **NO**
(*Includes United States, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Northern Mariana Islands, Virgin Islands, Guam, America Samoa, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, Republic of Palau, Republic of Marshall Islands or the Federated State of Micronesia)

If you answered NO to any of the above questions, you are not eligible for the SDS program.

Income Requirements for Disadvantaged Status (circle YES/NO for each item below)

Eligibility for this scholarship is determined by financial need based on federal low-income guidelines. All applicants must file a FAFSA and provide other income data in order to be considered for the scholarship.

- Did you submit a FAFSA for 2011-2012? **YES** **NO**
- Are you considered "Dependent" on FAFSA? (if **NO**, complete "Independent Student" section below) **YES** **NO**
- Does your family income (or your parents' income if you are a dependent student) fall within the disadvantaged category on the "Health and Human Services Income Guidelines"? **YES** **NO**

For students who are Independent for FAFSA purposes:

- Are you at least 24 years old? **YES** **NO**
- Did you file Federal Income Tax Returns in your name claiming yourself as a dependent for 2008, 2009 and 2010? **Copies of your 2008, 2009, and 2010 Income Tax returns required.** **YES** **NO**

*If you are at least 24 years old and have not been claimed on parental tax returns for the last three years, you are considered **independent** for SDS and eligibility will be based on **your** family income, not parental income.*

Information requirements after graduation: The College of Health and Public Affairs is required to track and report employment information regarding scholarship recipients after their graduation. As a recipient of this scholarship, you will be asked to provide address and employment information for one year after graduation.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Submit application and required documentation to:
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The table below indicates “Low Income Levels” used to determine student eligibility for programs that provide health professions training for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds. These guidelines will be used to determine student eligibility for the Health Resources and Services Administration’s **Scholarship for Disadvantaged Students**.

2011 Poverty Guidelines for HRSA Programs

Persons in family	Maximum Qualifying Income for SDS (AGI)
1	\$21,780
2	29,420
3	37,060
4	44,700
5	52,340
6	59,980
7	67,620
8	75,260