

## Scholarships

Thank you for your interest in the East Alabama Medical Center Scholarship Loan Program. Below you will find information concerning this program as well as Frequently Asked Questions.

### **Purpose**

The purpose of East Alabama Medical Center's Scholarship Loan Program is twofold. It provides students with financial assistance while they are in school and it assures EAMC of retaining well-trained, competent health care professionals.

### **Who Is Eligible?**

Anyone pursuing a health-related career in which EAMC has an actual or projected need. Examples of these careers include, but are not limited to, nursing, radiology, respiratory therapy, medical records coder, and physical therapy.

### **Amount of Award**

The total amount awarded is determined by the type and length of the program in which the student is enrolled.

### **Repayment of Scholarship Loan**

The scholarship recipient agrees to accept full-time employment with East Alabama Medical Center after graduation for a period of time as outlined in the contract. The exact amount of time is determined by the amount of the loan the student receives.

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## Frequently Asked Questions

### **Q - How are scholarships awarded?**

**A** - Scholarships are awarded based primarily on current or projected need of the hospital for a particular career. However, the Scholarship Committee reviews and considers all aspects of the application.

### **Q - In pursuing this scholarship, to what terms am I agreeing?**

**A** - The application contains an Agreement Form.

### **Q - How can I obtain a scholarship application?**

**A** - Download the application and mail or bring it to Human Resources located at 2000 Pepperell Parkway, Opelika, Alabama, 36801. Acrobat Reader is required to open the forms.

### **Q - May I apply for a scholarship without being accepted into my professional program?**

**A** - You are welcome to apply, however, scholarship amounts are determined according to proof of acceptance into the professional program. If you are not accepted, partial amounts may be granted until successful acceptance into the professional program.

### **Q - When can I apply?**

**A** - There are two scholarship blockings: Fall and Spring. Fall applications are due the 1st Friday in May and Spring applications are due the 1st Friday in October.

### **Q - Do you have to work at the hospital to apply?**

**A** - You do not have to work at the hospital, but hospital employees are given special consideration in the selection process.

### **Q - Who makes the decision on scholarship selection?**

**A** - The process is determined by a committee comprised of representatives from many areas of the hospital. Hospital administration is active in overseeing all decisions made by the committee.

### **Q - What is involved in the scholarship process?**

**A** - Applications are reviewed by a committee, selection of candidates for interview and Career Battery Assessment are determined, final selection is made by the scholarship committee, acceptance/denial letters are mailed, and contract signing. The entire process takes approximately one month from the deadline date to completion. This is due to the large volume of applications received.