
School, Private, State, and Local Financial Resources

Sources (where applicable) of state, local, and other private aid include state grants, scholarships, and agency funding, which are available from organizations such as those listed below. Note that these sources are separate from federal student financial aid sources and private lending sources. Please consult the Financial Aid Office or funding grantor for additional information.

The state's higher education webpage may be visited for more information on specific state grant options.

- Ohio College Opportunity Grant (OCOG)
- The Ohio College Opportunity Grant (OCOG) is a grant that is administered by the Ohio Board of Regents (OBR). Students must be enrolled in an OBR approved Diploma or Associate Degree program and meet all eligibility requirements set forth by the OBR. OCOG is a need-based grant that does not have to be repaid.

Scholarship Program, Fortis College

The College offers two institutional scholarship programs in nursing. Details about each scholarship are listed below. Final selections are those of an independent scholarship committee, based upon their review of all application materials. Should a scholarship recipient decide not to attend the College, an alternate recipient will not be selected.

Scholarship awards will be distributed in equal amounts at the beginning of each term, contingent upon the student meeting the following requirements:

- Maintain satisfactory academic progress
- Be in good standing relative to student conduct, as outlined in the College Catalog.
- Remain continuously enrolled as a student and take the prescribed full course load for each term.

Fortis College Practical Nursing Scholarship: The College will award up to eight scholarships to a maximum value of \$1,200 each to students entering into the Practical Nursing program for each of the starting classes during the year. Qualified candidates must meet the following minimum criteria:

- Demonstrate previous academic success, especially in the sciences, as evidenced through a high school or College transcript.
- Submit two letters of recommendation indicating the candidate has the attributes and compassion required to be a practical nurse. Recommendation letters may be from an employer, teacher, or clergy.
- Complete a type-written, 500-word essay on the topic "Why I Want to Pursue an Education in Nursing."

Fortis College Associate Degree Nursing (ADN): The College will award up to 10 scholarships up to a maximum value of \$2,000 each to students entering into the ADN program for each of the starting classes during the year. Qualified candidates must meet the following minimum criteria:

- Score a 930 on the HESI LPN Exit examination.
- Demonstrate previous academic success with a minimum 3.2 GPA in his or her Practical Nursing program.
- Submit two letters of recommendation indicating the candidate has the attributes and compassion required to be a registered nurse. Recommendation letters may be from an employer, teacher, or clergy.
- Complete a type-written letter describing his or her community involvement as it relates to the field of healthcare.

Students interested in scholarships are encouraged to search using FinAid!, a leading scholarship search provider for students. Their free service matches scholarships to the students' specific qualifications and can be accessed online at www.FinAid.org.