

The Gateway to Success Scholarship – Sponsored by Nebraska Medicine

Nebraska Medicine is a proud sponsor of the Gateway to Success Scholarship and is dedicated to fostering the growth and advancement of healthcare leaders through education and professional development. The Gateway to Success Scholarship financially assists first-generation college students demonstrating academic excellence, leadership, and educational commitment. The Gateway to Success Scholarship is available to four new incoming undergraduate students per academic year. In addition to demonstrating excellence in the classroom, Gateway to Success Scholars must demonstrate leadership in their schools/workplace and communities.

Scholarship Criteria

- Must be a new student at Clarkson College and enrolled full-time in an associate or bachelor's degree program.
- Must be a first-generation student. For this scholarship, first-generation is defined as an individual whose parents did not complete a baccalaureate degree or who resided with and received support from only one parent who did not complete a baccalaureate degree.
- Exceptional academic achievement demonstrated with a 3.0 high school GPA or higher or a 3.0 college transfer GPA or higher. Transcript reviewed.
- Must have demonstrated financial need (determined by current FASFA).
- Demonstrates values of compassion and caring through service to others. Applicants must submit a list of service hours completed and one contact person to verify hours if needed.
- Must list involvement in extracurricular activities, honor societies, professional organizations, etc.
- Demonstrated leadership through involvement in multiple school, workplace, and/or community activities. List years of contribution and leadership positions held.
- Applicants must provide two letters of recommendation of their choice.
- Complete a 500-word essay that is typed, double-spaced, and with a 12-point font in Times New Roman.
 - A brief introduction of who you are to the selection committee.
 - A brief reflection on how you have demonstrated values of compassion and caring through service to others (i.e., community and volunteer work, work/life experience, etc.).
 - A brief description of the challenges you have faced as a first-generation student and how you plan to impact your community positively as a healthcare professional.
- Must maintain a 3.0 GPA each semester, be continuously enrolled as a full-time student, and be in good academic and behavioral standing to continue receiving the scholarship.

Award Amount

A \$15,000/year automatically renewable scholarship for four years toward a bachelor's degree or two years toward an associate's degree.

Scholarship Application Process Timeline

Applicants must complete the attached application before the deadline listed below and return it to the Clarkson College Financial Aid and Scholarships Office at 101 South 42nd Street (1st Floor), Omaha, NE 68131, or via email at financialaid@clarksoncollege.edu. Please contact the **Clarkson College Financial Aid and Scholarships Office** at 402-552-2749 with any questions.

Application Deadlines

- New Student for the Fall 2024 Semester: Applications accepted February 1, 2024 – March 1, 2024
- New Student for the Spring 2025 Semester: Applications accepted November 1, 2024 – December 1, 2024
- New Student for the Summer 2025 Semester: Applications accepted March 1, 2025 – April 1, 2025



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Name _____

Program of Study _____

Anticipated Start Date at Clarkson College _____

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Declaration:

I hereby declare that all the information provided in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false information may result in the rejection of my application. I understand that I must maintain a 3.0 GPA each semester, be continuously enrolled each semester, and be in good academic and behavioral standing to continue to receive the scholarship if selected.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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