



District 8 Student Scholarship Application

DUE DATE: FEBRUARY 1st, 2019

The FWATA Scholarships Committee developed a new application process for District 8 athletic training students different from past years. *Please note that submitting an application for an undergraduate or graduate scholarship through the National Athletic Trainers' Association (NATA Research & Education Foundation) NO LONGER automatically places the applicant eligible for a FWATA scholarship. The student applicant must now submit separate applications for a FWATA (\$1,500 award) and NATA (\$2,300 award) scholarship.

The Far West Athletic Trainers' Association currently sponsors ten scholarships to support student membership available to athletic training students within District 8. Recipients of each scholarship receive a \$1500.00 monetary award and a plaque. An additional certificate is also presented to the nominating certified athletic trainer of each scholarship recipient. All of the awards are given in order to continue promoting the education and profession of athletic training, as well as recognize some of the outstanding students who represent the future of the Athletic Training profession. Three of the current scholarships are given in memory of individuals who contributed greatly to the growth and success of the profession of Athletic Training.

FWATA SCHOLARSHIPS

Felix Rivera Memorial Scholarship | Undergraduate Student

Gail Weldon Memorial Scholarship | Undergraduate Student

Jerry Lloyd Memorial Scholarship | Undergraduate Student

Bill Chambers Scholarship Endowment | Undergraduate or Graduate Student

Scott Sailor Scholarship | Undergraduate or Graduate Student

Lewis Crowl Scholarship | Undergraduate Student

CATA Student Scholarship | Undergraduate or Graduate Student

Daniel D. Arnheim Scholarship | Graduating Senior or Graduate Student

Julie Max Scholarship | Graduating Senior or Graduate Student

Ando & Ito Family Scholarship | Undergraduate or Graduate Student of Asian Descent

HATA Scholarship | Graduate student from Hawaii or registered in a program in Hawaii Mark

GENERAL INFORMATION

- All applications are due and must be received in full by 5pm on February 1st, 2019.
- Completed application and supporting documents must be submitted to the Scholarships Chair via email to jcuevas@fullcoll.edu, or postmarked by mail following the submission criteria described in the last page of application packet.
- All letters of recommendation must be received by the Scholarship Chair by the deadline.
- Incomplete applications will not be considered, **no exceptions**.
- Scholarship recipients will be recognized at the FWATA Annual Meeting Awards Banquet. Scholarship recipients are expected to attend the meeting and banquet.
- Any questions should be addressed to **Scholarship Chair Juan Cuevas**; jcuevas@fullcoll.edu.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Professional “entry-level” & Post-Professional Students:

- Enrolled in a CAATE-accredited professional athletic training program within District 8
- Junior standing OR current enrollment in professional master’s program at time of application only if pursuing further education in Athletic Training

***NOTE:** Post-Professional Students must be currently enrolled in a graduate-level degree program (masters, doctoral, or professional) with one or more years remaining at time of application i. OR been accepted to a graduate-level degree program with intent to enroll by fall 2019 ii. OR submitted an application to a graduate-level degree program with intent to enroll by fall 2019.*

- Accrued clinical hours as student, OR volunteer related to the Athletic Training profession
- Cumulative GPA of “B” (3.0) or higher & Major GPA of “B” (3.0) or higher
- Current student membership in FWATA and NATA & must have an NPI
- Sponsorship by an Athletic Trainer who is a current member in good standing of the FWATA and NATA
- NOTE:** Both grad AND undergrad transcripts required.*

****NOTE:** An Athletic Trainer or Program faculty may only sponsor two applicants per year.*

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

The following information and items must be completed to submit a scholarship application:

1. General Application:
 - Four components: General Information, Supplemental Responses, Essay Responses and Sponsorship / Letter of Recommendation
 2. Two Recommendation Letters:
 - FIRST letter must be by an athletic trainer that sponsors the student applicant; should be an AT who has worked with the student such as program director, clinical education coordinator, department head, preceptor, team physician, or other healthcare professional familiar with the clinical performance of the applicant
 - SECOND letter may come from any individual chosen by applicant that can attest to character overall.
- NOTE: Letters of recommendation must be emailed directly to the Scholarship Chair and received from the email provided for the individual.***
3. Professional resume (1-page maximum)
 4. Copy of unofficial transcript

APPLICATION REVIEW & SELECTION CRITERIA

- Complete applications will be reviewed by the members of the Scholarship Committee, and scored using a standard rubric. Scores will be compiled by the Scholarship Chair, and applicants will be ranked. The top ranked applicants will be re-reviewed by the entire committee and if approved, will be selected as scholarship recipients.
- The recipients will be scored on the following criteria:
 - a. Academic achievement (overall/major GPA, awards/scholarships)
 - b. Clinical skill and performance (clinical experience/hours)
 - c. Professional/athletic training service (participation in program or university organizations related to AT, professional memberships, leadership positions, meeting attendance)
 - d. Community/external service (participation in university, community, or other groups not related to AT, associated leadership roles, awards)
 - e. Character (letters of recommendation)

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT REQUIREMENTS

- Recipients will be notified of their award by March 22nd. Recipients must either **accept or decline their award within one week of notification.**
- Once notified, recipients must submit the following items to the Scholarships Chair in order to receive monetary award:
 - a. Official transcript from their current institution
 - b. Official enrollment verification from academic institution with stamp for following term
 - c. Color photograph to be showcased at FWATA's award ceremony (photograph must be professional with a focus on the face and upper torso of the applicant).

NOTE: Professional scholarship recipients must be enrolled in their professional program the following fall. Post-professional scholarship recipients must be enrolled in a graduate-level degree program (masters, doctoral, or professional) the following fall.

To complete the application process please be sure to include the following:

Application Guidelines

In order to streamline the review process, all documents must be submitted as attachments under one email from applicant or all in one package by mail.

*E-mail Format: All attachments must be submitted as individual **.pdf** files as the following ie:

Example Applicant name: John Smith

General Application: JSmith_GA.pdf

Resume: JSmith_Resume.pdf

Unofficial Transcript: JSmith_UTranscript.pdf

***NOTE:** Rec Letters must be submitted by sponsor directly to Scholarship Committee Chair via Email.*

Submission Checklist

- General Application with all components:
 - a. General Information
 - b. Supplemental responses
 - c. Essay responses
 - d. Sponsorship & Rec Letter Information
- 2 Recommendation Letters (sponsor & supporting)
- Professional Resume
- Unofficial Transcript

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5pm on February 1st, 2019.**

Mail or E-mail completed applications to Scholarships Committee Chair Juan Cuevas.

**Juan Cuevas, ATC
321 E Chapman Ave
Fullerton, CA 92832
(jcuevas@fullcoll.edu)**



2018 – 2019 FWATA STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
GENERAL INFORMATION

Applicant's Full Name: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Graduation Date (Month/Year): ____/____

NATA Member #: _____ NATA Member Since: ____/____/____

Student Level: _____ NPI Number: _____

Current D8 College/University: _____

Next Year College/University (if different from above): _____

Current School Address: _____

Current Home Address: _____

Preferred mailing address: School Home Cell Phone #: _____

School Email: _____

Cumulative GPA (on a 4.0 scale): _____ Major GPA (on a 4.0 scale): _____

OPTIONAL: Several NATA Foundation Scholarships are designated for students of particular ethnic categories. By identifying your ethnicity, you are allowing yourself to be qualified for the scholarships assigned to these particular ethnicities. Select Ethnic Category with which you most closely identify (check one). If you identify with multiple categories, check multi-ethnic and identify the ethnic groups below. You may also choose not to share.

- American Indian or Alaska Native**
- Asian**
- Black or African American**
- Hispanic**
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander**
- White**
- Multi-Ethnic**
- Prefer not to share**



SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSES
(Maximum of 200 words per section)

- A. **Clinical athletic training experiences.** *List your work experiences as an athletic training student. Please complete list using descending chronological order (start with most recent). [i.e., 1/2014-8/2014: ATS at Main Street High School, Anytown, TX]*

RESPONSE:

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- B. **Community service in athletic training.** *List your athletic training experiences outside of your employment/school, such as in your community and other public health roles. (e.g., recreational events, marathons, state/city games, USOC appointments, and/or Special Olympics).*

RESPONSE:

C. **Association Membership related to Athletic Training or Allied Healthcare.** *Provide a list of your memberships/involvement and your role. This includes but is not limited to NATA, District, State committees, other allied healthcare professional organizations, and School/University athletic training groups.*

RESPONSE:

D. **Professional development within athletic training.** *Provide a list of your professional development activities over the last 2 years. This includes CEUs or other courses you have attended to extend your learning or meet requirements of certification status (e.g., GLATA annual symposium March 2014, FMS training September 2017).*

RESPONSE:

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- E. **Activities/Clubs/Community or Civic Service (not related to athletic training).** *Provide a list of involvement in your local, regional, or state service activities. This includes but is not limited to employee organizations, fraternities, sororities, church/civic groups. Indicate your role (e.g. Member, President, Vice President, Social Chair, etc.).*

RESPONSE:

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- F. **Previous awards and honors.** *Provide a list of your previous awards and honors (e.g., Bulldog award for consistent leadership – Anytown HS – March 2017).*

RESPONSE:



ESSAY RESPONSE 1

(Maximum of 500 words per question)

Question 1: *Identify and describe your most meaningful athletic training experience (classroom, clinical assignment, job, or research lab) and how it has influenced your future career goals.*

RESPONSE:



ESSAY RESPONSE 2

(Maximum of 500 words per question)

Question 2: *Describe a special attribute or accomplishment that sets you apart and makes you a good candidate for an FWATA Scholarship.*

RESPONSE:



ESSAY RESPONSE 3

(Maximum of 500 words per question)

Question 3: *Explain a situation where you served as a leader during: a group project, an organized work project or activity, or a community service project. Explain in detail your role and how individuals responded to your leadership.*

RESPONSE:



ESSAY RESPONSE 4

(Maximum of 500 words per question)

Question 4: *In your opinion, what is one of the most important issues facing athletic trainers in today's healthcare community and what role do you hope to play in addressing this issue?*

RESPONSE:



ESSAY RESPONSES 5

(Maximum of 500 words per question)

Question 5: *If you were chosen to receive an FWATA scholarship, how would you use the award (Please be specific to your academic program and further development as an Athletic Trainer)?*

RESPONSE:



SPONSORSHIP & RECOMMENDATION LETTER INFORMATION

1. Sponsoring Athletic Trainer: _____

Title: _____

Institution: _____

NATA #: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

2. Supporting Recommendation Letter by: _____

Title: _____

Institution: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone#: _____

Email: _____

I hereby confirm that all of the information above is true and correct.

I _____, acknowledge all eligibility criteria and agree to meet all requirements above if selected as recipient.

Applicant's signature: _____

Date: _____