



DALLAS AREA GERONTOLOGICAL SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Dear Scholarship Applicant:

The Dallas Area Gerontological Society was founded with the expressed intent to educate the community at large about gerontology, advocate for elderly persons, and promote improved services for elderly persons. DAGS will be offering one or more scholarships for full-time or part-time students for the 2008-2009 academic year. The scholarship program provides financial assistance to those preparing for a career in gerontology or those currently working in an aging field who wish to increase their skills through either a degree or certificate program.

Eligibility for Scholarship:

- (1) Individuals who live in the Greater Dallas area;
- (2) Who are seeking careers in gerontology including social work, counseling, nursing or administration or who currently are working in the field of aging
- (3) Minimum GPA of 3.0 for any completed work
- (4) Must be enrolled or accepted by college or program before funds will be released.

Application for Scholarship must be received by May 30, 2008 and should include:

- (1) A completed application form;
- (2) A one page essay addressing career goals and why you want the scholarship;
- (3) Proof of enrollment or acceptance at an accredited university or certificate program prior to the release of funds
- (4) Copy of a current official transcript for hours completed.
- (5) Two letters of recommendation: 1 academic and 1 personal letter of recommendation.
If this is the first educational program to be entered after substantial time period, a letter of recommendation from employer will be accepted in lieu of the academic reference.

Finalists will be interviewed by the scholarship committee prior to the selection of the recipient of the scholarship. Scholarship amounts have ranged from \$500 to \$1500 in recent years.

Payment of the scholarship will be made directly to the Registrar office of the university, college or certificate program.

The scholarship committee will announce the scholarship award in the summer, 2008. The recipient will be invited to attend a DAGS meeting in order to be introduced to the membership.

Application packets should be mailed to:

Linda Margolies Skibell
DAGS Scholarship Committee Chairperson
Daytime telephone number: 972-979-3548
FAX Number: 972-386-0513
e-mail: lmargolie@hotmail.com



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Letter of Recommendation

This section is to be completed by the applicant and given to the person asked to offer the reference. (Please print or type.)

Name of Applicant _____ Name of school/program you plan to attend _____

Name of person offering reference _____ Daytime telephone # _____

Position/Title _____ Business or Institution _____

Address _____
Street or P. O. Box City, State Zip

The DAGS scholarship committee would appreciate a statement from you about the applicant named above.

How long have you known the applicant? _____ In what capacity? _____

Please circle your response about the applicant in the following areas:

*Intellectual Potential

Poor Fair Good Very Good Excellent Unable to Judge

*Motivation for program of study

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*Ability to complete planned academic program successfully

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*Commitment to field of gerontology

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The scholarship committee encourages additional comments.

Please return this statement directly to the DAGS scholarship committee by May 30, 2008.
Mail to: Linda Skibell, DAGS Scholarship Chair: 5808 Preston Fairways Drive, Dallas, TX 75252