This program is available to students in specified degree programs who wish to seek employment at UK HealthCare upon graduation.

## What does the Undergraduate Scholarship Program cover?

- This program covers tuition for 13 credit hours per semester. The scholarship covers programspecific credit hours, not pre-requisite courses.
- All approved students will receive \$20 per credit hour to partially offset additional education expenses incurred. This includes books and course materials. This stipend will apply to all credit hours taken, even if total credit hours for the semester exceeds the thirteen hours covered by this program.
- Four-year programs: Students attending a four-year program (both in-state and out-of-state) will be awarded a maximum of \$624.00 per credit hour.
- Two-year programs: Students attending a two-year program (both in-state and out-of-state) will be awarded a maximum of \$189.00 per credit hour.

# What are the program requirements?

<u>State of Residence</u>: This program is open to both in-state and out-of-state residents.

<u>GPA:</u> Recipients must maintain a cumulative overall GPA of 2.5 and cumulative program GPA of 2.5 or higher at all times. Exceptions will not be made.

If the recipient's cumulative overall GPA or cumulative nursing GPA falls below 2.5 at any time, the stipend will not be provided in the next academic semester/quarter. If after the following semester/quarter, the recipient's cumulative GPA or cumulative nursing GPA remains below 2.5, they will no longer be eligible for future stipend and will remain responsible for repayment and/or forgiveness of all past stipends in accordance with the terms of the program agreement.

## Enrollment

- Participants in associate degree programs are required to graduate in six (6) semesters or twelve (12) quarters
- Participants in bachelor's degree programs are required to complete their program in ten (10) semesters (excluding summers)
- Recipients are required to carry at least six (6) credit hours per fall or spring semester.

<u>Workback Requirement</u>: Upon completion, participants are required to work at UK HealthCare:

• One (1) semester of the scholarship award shall be forgiven for every six (6) months of full-time service in an eligible title, or;

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- One (1) quarter of the scholarship award shall be forgiven for every three (3) months of productive full-time service in an eligible title
- Workback commitments can be fulfilled by working at one of the following locations:
  - Good Samaritan Hospital
  - Chandler Hospital
  - o Kentucky Children's Hospital
  - o Eastern State Hospital
  - o UK HealthCare Ambulatory Clinics

# How do I know if my accredited program is eligible for the scholarship program?

Participants in the following accredited programs are eligible to apply for the scholarship program.

- Associate in applied science (AAS) for programs in the following allied health areas:
  - o Medical Assisting; Accredited Medical Assistant Program
  - o Radiography
  - o Surgical Technology
- Associate (ADN) degree Nursing
- Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)
- National Institute of First Assisting (NIFA) APRN Programming
- Bachelor's degree
  - Cytotechnology
  - o Nursing (BSN)
  - o Radiography
- Master of Science
  - o Pathology Assistant (PA)
  - o Radiologic Assistant (MSRS)

#### How are degree programs designated as eligible?

Eligible programs will be managed and reviewed twice annually by the Position Review Committee (PRC) in July and January. Programs are selected based on areas of need within the enterprise and criteria for that selection includes vacancy rate, agency rate, turnover rate, projected enterprise growth of titles.

# What if my degree program is initially designated as eligible but is deemed ineligible after the biannual review by the PRC?

Participants that have been accepted into the program under an eligible degree program will be grandfathered into the program for the remainder of their agreement. Grandfathered participants will still be required to maintain all other eligibility components of the program.

Are UK HealthCare employees eligible to apply for the scholarship?

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Yes, UK HealthCare employees are eligible. If the eligible program of interest is offered at the University of Kentucky, we encourage UK HealthCare employees to utilize Employee Education Program (EEP) funds.

# How do I apply?

Applications are submitted through the UK HealthCare <u>website</u>. Paper applications <u>will not</u> be accepted. The application will prompt you to upload the following:

- Resume
- Current, official transcript
- Program acceptance decision letter

## When is the deadline to apply?

Applicants should apply by May 30, 2025 by 11:59 pm for tuition coverage in the Fall 2025 semester.

### When will award decisions be made?

All applicants will be notified of their award decision by the end of the day on June 30, 2025. Recipients must submit their official transcript and signed contract by the end of the day, July 14, 2025.

### If I am accepted to the scholarship program once, do I have to re-apply every semester?

Returning participants do not need to apply each semester. Returning participants will be asked to provide their most recent official transcript to confirm they are adhering to minimum GPA requirements and will be asked to sign a new Educational Payment Agreement for each funded semester

### What if I am unable to fulfill the work requirements for this program?

Failure to meet the work obligation shall necessitate repayment of the entire or remaining stipend amount, plus accrued interest, and any collection costs. This is outlined fully in the agreement.

### How are the scholarship funds received?

Scholarship funds are remitted directly to the institution where the degree is being earned. Payment will not be made directly to the recipient.

# Who do I contact if I have more questions?

Please contact <u>scholarship@uky.edu</u> for all scholarship related questions. All communication regarding the scholarship program will be directed to the recipient. Inquiries from parents or guardians will be directed back to the recipient.

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