**NCCGAPNA**

**Conference Scholarship**

**Instructions and Application**

NCCGAPNA is the Northern California chapter of the Gerontological Advanced Practice Nurses Association (GAPNA).  GAPNA is a national organization whose mission is to promote high standards of health care for older adults through advanced gerontological nursing practice, education, and research.  Each year GAPNA hosts an Annual Conference, as well as a Pharmacology Conference, to provide continuing education in the latest trends in clinical practice, health policy, and health delivery systems relevant to advanced practice gerontological nurses.  The conference also provides a forum for exchange of ideas and clinical experience with expert faculty and colleagues.

Details on the Pharmacology Conference can be found [here.](https://www.gapna.org/about/news/2025-annual-conference-call-abstracts%20)

Details on the Annual GAPNA Conference can be found [here.](https://www.gapna.org/learning/events/pharmacology-conference/2025-gapna-pharmacology-conference-0%20)

The NCCGAPNA Conference Scholarship was developed to assist a NCCGAPNA member who is a current Advanced Practice Registered Nursing (APRN) student (CNS or NP) or recent graduate to attend the Annual GAPNA Conference. The recipient of the scholarship will be awarded up to $2000.00 for expenses incurred to attend the conference.  The money will be distributed after the student provides valid receipts for expenses within 6 weeks of conference completion.

To be eligible to apply, the following criteria must be met:

* Current membership in NCCGAPNA.
* Current enrollment in a NP or CNS program or have graduated from a program within the past year.
* Have an interest in gerontology.
* Provide proof of enrollment or recent graduation (within one year of conference date).
* Agree to present your conference experience to the chapter at a local meeting within 2 months of attending the conference.
* Agree to serve on the board as the student board representative or other board member for one year.

Complete the application below and return it as an email attachment to nccgapna@nccgapna.org. Attach proof of enrollment or graduation in the past year. Please put “scholarship application” in the subject line.

The application is open year-round. Each year, all applications will be reviewed on **May 1.**

Applications submitted after May 1 will be reviewed the following year.

To become a member of NCCGAPNA, complete a membership application at the [GAPNA website](https://www.gapna.org), and select Northern California as your chapter affiliation. Discounted Student Memberships are offered through GAPNA.

**NCCGAPNA Conference Scholarship Application**

Date:

Name:

Address:

Phone #:

Email address:

Program where you are currently enrolled or recently graduated:

Year in the program or date of graduation:

**Please answer the following questions. Your responses should be no longer than one and a half pages, single spaced.**

1. Membership with GAPNA
	1. How long have you been a member of GAPNA? Please select one.
		1. Less than 1 year
		2. 1 year
		3. 2 years
		4. 3 years or more
2. Involvement with NCCGAPNA. Please answer yes or no to the following questions.
	* 1. Have you attended the NCCGAPNA chapter meetings?
		2. Have you attended a NCCGAPNA conference?
		3. Have you volunteered with the NCCGAPNA?
		4. Have you served on the NCCGAPNA board?
3. Interest in Gerontology.
	* 1. APRNs have many areas in which to specialize. What particularly attracts you to gerontology? What made you decide to join GAPNA? We are interested in hearing your personal story as well as your goals for professional growth, for the community you will serve, and for political advocacy.
4. Interest in Leadership
	* 1. As a GAPNA member, how do you envision your involvement with the organization?
		2. How do you expect to use the information you gain at this conference to advance your own practice as well as the practice of your colleagues?