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Columbia University School of Nursing

annual scholarship fund

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helping today's nursing students...

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Scholarships

and financial aid bring
the best to Columbia

In an age of increasing medical errors, sicker patients and a worldwide nursing shortage, the world depends more than ever on the next generation of nurses from Columbia. Your ongoing support to the Annual Scholarship Fund ensures that the School is able to recruit the best possible students in nursing. One hundred percent of your gift will support financial aid.

The cost of tuition has risen to over \$1,116 per credit or a minimum of \$66,991 for a bachelor's degree, \$51,739 for a master's degree and \$69,108 for a doctoral degree. Columbia nursing students on average will owe approximately \$80,000 upon graduation despite the fact that 98% of them receive financial aid. In order to remain need-blind in its admission policy, Columbia University School of Nursing must raise more than \$5 million in financial aid for its students each year.

Thank you in advance for your commitment.



Mara Popescu '10

Annual Fund Alumni Scholar '09

I immigrated to Los Angeles, California in 1999 from Romania together with my parents and two brothers. I attended the University of California Berkeley where I earned a BA in integrated biology. After volunteering as a doula to low income families in the Bay Area, I decided to become a nurse-midwife and women's health nurse practitioner. I am grateful for the Annual Fund Scholarship as it allowed me to reduce my student loans. Having less debt will make it easier for me to provide for my family, and my Columbia School of Nursing education will help my career by providing health care to low income community members who need it most.

Sarah Inez Garza '10

Annual Fund Alumni Scholar '09

I am originally from Austin, Texas and graduated from the University of Texas where I studied anthropology. After teaching for a year in Ecuador and experiencing the devastation in communities where health care and health education are nearly non-existent, I became interested in public health. My goal is to become a women's health nurse practitioner, and to contribute to advances in primary care and community public health research and initiatives. The Annual Fund Scholarship gave me the opportunity to focus on my education rather than the cost of my education. I am thrilled to join an impressive tradition of highly dedicated and skilled nurses at Columbia who have received the Annual Fund Scholarship.



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The School of Nursing admits qualified students regardless of their ability to finance their education.

This need-blind policy ensures that the School maintains its outstanding reputation for attracting and educating the best and the brightest. The School of Nursing has always ranked financial aid as its top funding priority each year.

Because tuition and fees at the School of Nursing are dictated by the University, our students spend the same amount per credit as their counterparts in the business, law and medical schools, yet their expectation of future income is significantly lower.

Many students report that the cost of tuition and the amount of financial aid available often determines their application or enrollment decision

The only way to ensure that the most talented students can receive a Columbia education in nursing, regardless of their ability to pay, is to remove as many financial barriers as possible.

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