

# Hawaii Pacific Gerontological Society

## Undergraduate Scholarship/Award Guidelines

### Scholarship Description

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The HPGS Scholarship/Award is funded by donations from generous donors comprising of individuals who support education, research and community service in gerontology and geriatrics. The HPGS Scholarship/Award was created to support undergraduate students who are pursuing careers in gerontology. Depending on donations, we hope to make this scholarship/award annually. During a conference year, awardees will be recognized at the HPGS Conference. Students may re-apply for a second year of support; however, they will receive the lowest priority in the review of applicants.

### Application Criteria

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Preference will be given to students who meet the following criteria:

1. Preference will be given to community college students, and juniors and seniors in a four-year university. Applicants who are seniors in college must have at least two semesters before graduation at the time of application.
2. Demonstrate a 3.0 or higher GPA for the past academic year at the undergraduate level. Please include official transcript from the university or community college with the application.
3. Preference will be given to students who have taken at least one aging related community college or university course, or demonstrate an interest in the field of gerontology.
  - a. For example, applicant has done volunteer work or internship in a senior center, parks and recreation programs for older adults, lifelong learning programs for older adults, adult day care, retirement community, or county or state office on aging. Or,

- b. Applicant has personally initiated and worked on a research project that is aging related. Or,
  - c. Applicant has played a leadership role in working on a class or service learning project that helped older persons.
4. Demonstrate a commitment to pursue a career in gerontology or geriatrics.
5. Show a financial need, and explain what the scholarship will be used for.
6. Show proof of residency in the State of Hawaii

### Application Process:

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The applicant must submit:

1. Two letters of recommendation from your academic adviser, former professors, instructors or supervisors at your internship or volunteer site.
2. An essay from the applicant that addresses his/her unique qualifications for receiving this award, including experience in and dedication to the field of gerontology (no more than 2 pages single spaced).
3. A copy of latest community college or university transcript.
4. The HPGS scholarship/award application form.

### Deadline

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Applications must be sent to the following address, and must be postmarked by April 1st, 2007.

The HPGS Scholarship Committee  
P. O. Box 3714  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96812

# HPGS Scholarship/Award Application Form

## Personal Data

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (campus): \_\_\_\_\_

Address (permanent): \_\_\_\_\_

Home or Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

A photocopy of a valid and current student ID will be required when award announcement is made.

## Educational History

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<u>College/University</u>	<u>Date of Attendance</u>	<u>Degree Received</u>	<u>GPA</u>
a. _____	_____	_____	_____
b. _____	_____	_____	_____
c. _____	_____	_____	_____

## Relevant non-credit educational or training workshops, seminars or courses completed (if any):

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<u>Workshop/Seminar/Course</u>	<u>Dates of Attendance</u>
a. _____	_____
b. _____	_____
c. _____	_____

If I am given this scholarship/award, I understand and affirm the following:

All information provided will be treated confidentially and used only for consideration by the HPGS Scholarship and Award Committee. I certify that all of the information on this application is complete, accurate and current. I understand that, if given the scholarship/award, I will be expected to 1) provide the HPGS Scholarship committee with a photocopy of my valid and current student ID, 2) send a letter of acknowledgement to the donor (if applicable), and 3) attend the HPGS awards ceremony (if scheduled during a conference year).

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Student's Signature

Date

### **Student Statement**

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Write a short essay (maximum 2 pages, single-spaced) that addresses your unique qualifications for receiving this award, including experience in and dedication to the field.