

Diversity and Inclusive Excellence Scholarship

The Diversity and Inclusive Excellence Scholarship was established in 2020 in response to the heightened national focus on how structural racism has contributed to health inequities in the United States. The primary focus of this scholarship is to provide opportunities to those who may have experienced the effects of structural racism and/or come from populations that are underrepresented in the school or public health professions. Students who are African American/Black, Hispanic/Latinx, American Indian/Alaska Native, LGBTQ+, first generation college students, person with disabilities, and others who have overcome obstacles in their lives, particularly in the pursuit of education, are encouraged to apply. This scholarship is made possible by donations from Colorado School of Public Health faculty, staff, and other friends of the school.

Awards are made each academic year for a period of one academic year. Awardees may re-apply in subsequent years. Number of awards and amounts are dependent on funds available.

Eligibility:

- Enrollment in or admission to a degree program in the ColoradoSPH.
 - Must be enrolled in and maintain a minimum of 5 credits per semester for the period of the award.
- Eligible for US federal financial aid and FAFSA – determined financial need available.
- When enrolled in the ColoradoSPH, applicants/awardees must be in good standing with a GPA of 3.0 or better.
- Applicants are required to submit 3 brief essays as part of the application. *See detailed instructions in Part B below.*

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name _____ SOPHAS or Student ID _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Daytime Phone # _____ Other phone # _____

Email Address _____ State of Residence: _____

Home Campus: CU-ANSCHUTZ CSU UNC

Program: MPH Concentration: _____

MS Area: _____

DrPH Focus Area: _____

PhD Area: _____

Are you applying for Financial Aid? YES NO

If yes, please document your financial need as determined on your FAFSA. Calculate financial need by subtracting your Estimated Family Contribution from the Cost of Attendance.

Estimated Family Contribution can be found on the FAFSA, listed as "EFC: #######"

Cost of Attendance can be found on the [UCDenver|Anschutz website](#).

FAFSA Net Financial Need: _____ *If not available at time of application, check this box*

Documentation of financial need is required before an award can be made. Please attach a copy of your FAFSA financial need documentation to this application. If it is not available now, please send it to the submission email as soon as possible.

I certify that the information provided in this application is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and may be verified upon request.

Applicant Signature: _____

Part B: Essays

Please respond to the following three essays. Each essay should be a typed response of no more than 200 words. Attach essays in a separate page(s).

Essay 1: How does your background bring diversity to the Colorado School of Public Health and/or the public health workforce? Please include lived experiences if relevant.

Essay 2: Describe your commitment to diversity and inclusive excellence. What are your past accomplishments and/or future plans in this respect?

Essay 3: What are your career aspirations and how will your goals foster diversity and inclusive excellence in the public health workforce?

APPLICATION SUBMISSION INFORMATION

The deadline for application submission is February 1.

All applications will be accepted via email only.

The subject line should be “ColoradoSPH Diversity Scholarship and YOUR LAST NAME” and sent to:

ColoradoSPH.AcademicAffairs@cuanschutz.edu

APPLICATION REVIEW PROCESS AND TIMELINE

Applications received by the February 1 deadline above will be reviewed by the ColoradoSPH Scholarship Committee. Awardees will be notified by email shortly thereafter.