

PNAC3 Scholarships

Members of PNAC3 are eligible for a \$1,000 award toward an undergraduate or prelicensure nursing degree. Applicants must submit a personal essay, evidence of excellent academic performance, and two letters of recommendation from mentors, faculty, or supervisors.

Applications for this award open on June 15 and remain open through August 3 at 11:59 pm PST. Selected recipients will be announced on August 22, 2026, during the General Membership meeting, and will be awarded at the Annual Fundraising Gala.

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT: \$1,000 for two award recipients

SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

The Philippine Nurses Association California Capital Chapter (PNAC3) is pleased to award \$1,000 to two of its selected members pursuing an undergraduate or pre-licensure nursing degree. The purpose of this scholarship is to support the advancement of nursing education for PNAC3 members, thereby achieving one of PNAC3's core missions.

Once chosen, scholars provide PNAC3 with a recorded video (less than 3 minutes) about how the scholarship prepared and helped them achieve their educational goals, professional and/or academic aspirations, and any commitment to giving back to the community, which will be presented during the annual fundraising gala.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

PNAC3 Criteria:

1. Be a current member for at least one year or more, a letter of verification from the PNAC3 Membership Committee, or a PNAC3 membership card
2. Two letters of recommendation from academic faculty/advisors/supervisor/mentors addressing the following areas:
 - a. academic performance,
 - b. leadership, and
 - c. commitment to diversity.
3. Students who have received the PNAC3 scholarship within the last 4 years are not eligible to apply.

ACADEMIC Criteria:

1. Current enrollment in an accredited undergraduate or prelicensure nursing program (associate degree, bachelor's, master's levels)
2. Most recent unofficial transcript from school or university as evidence of excellent academic performance (GPA \geq 3.0)

3. Personal essay addressing nursing career goal, leadership potential, career trajectory, and dedication to serving PNAC3 (500-word max)

APPLICATION PROCEDURES/CHECKLIST

Complete and submit the Scholarship Application (redacted and unredacted) and the following documents in PDF format to PNAC3EducationCommittee@gmail.com.

1. Your curriculum vitae
2. Personal essay addressing nursing goals, leadership potential, career trajectory, and dedication to serving PNAC3 (500-word max)
3. Two letters of recommendation from academic faculty/advisors/ supervisor/mentors addressing the following areas: 1) academic performance, 2) leadership, and 3) commitment to diversity
4. Letter of verification from PNAC3 Membership Committee or PNAC3 card
5. Copy of unofficial transcript with GPA and/or current enrollment

SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS

The selection will be based on the student's overall academic progress, extracurricular activities, leadership, and participation/contribution in PNAC3.

RUBRIC CRITERIA	SCORE 50 points Max
Membership (≥ 1 year)	5
Personal Essay (nursing goals, career trajectory, leadership potential, dedication to serving PNAC3)	10
PNAC3 events Involvement	10
Community events Involvement	10
Current enrollment and/or Unofficial Transcript ($GPA \geq 3.0$)	5
Letters of Recommendation (minimum of 2)	10
TOTAL	50

GUIDELINES ON USING THE SCORING TOOL (RUBRIC):

No points will be awarded for lack of required criteria or documents

1. Personal Essay:
 - a. Addressed nursing goals, leadership potential, career trajectory, and dedication to serving PNAC3 – 10 points
 - b. If the essay addressed less than what was asked- 5 points
2. PNAC3 events involvement:
 - >3 PNAC3 events in the last year – 10 points
 - <3 PNAC3 events in the last year – 5 points
 - No involvement – 0 points
3. Community events involvement (with or without PNAC3 sponsorship)
 - >3 community events in the last year – 10 points
 - <3 community events in the last year- 5 points
 - Non-involvement- 0 points

POST-SUBMISSION GUIDELINE:

1. An email confirmation to acknowledge receipt of the application.
2. Education to determine eligibility for requirements.
3. Submit two files, one redacted and one unredacted application, to be sent to the Selection/Scholarship/Awards Committee.
4. Selection/Scholarship/Awards Committee to score eligible applicants according to the rubric criteria.
5. Selected scholars will be presented to the Executive Board before the public announcement; scholars will be notified simultaneously with the public.
6. The Treasurer will disburse the scholarship award.

CONTINUING EDUCATION SPONSORSHIP

PNAC3 will reimburse \$250 per active PNAC3 member (up to 10 attendees) for attending the PNAA regional, national, or international conferences each year.

PNAC3 will also provide \$100 per person per year, for a maximum of 4 people, to members attending Camp Aruga.

Requirements for reimbursement:

1. Applicants must be a current PNAC3 member in good standing and have maintained active membership for at least the past six (6) months.
2. A copy of the conference registration receipt/confirmation.
3. Submit an article to the PNAC3 Newsletter and the PNAA Newsletter highlighting the significance of the conference in relation to your current professional role. The article should describe key takeaways, newly acquired knowledge, potential changes in practice or leadership, and how PNAC3 has supported your professional growth and advancement. Submissions may be published in the local PNAC3 newsletter and/or the PNAA newsletter.

Must submit within 4 weeks after the event/conference.

4. Recipients to disseminate information at the next PNAC3 membership meeting.
5. Disbursement of awards following the post-conference presentation or event by the Treasurer.