

NCCC FOUNDATION, INC. SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The NCCC Foundation, Inc. was established in 1987, in part to provide scholarship awards to deserving students. The Foundation has grown significantly from awarding three scholarships its first year to over 250 in 2008-09. The funds for these scholarships are secured from a variety of sources, including generous donations from local businesses and individuals, memorial gifts, grants, revenue from the annual Scholarship Dinner and Bricks for a Solid Foundation project.

Scholarship award dates and application due dates vary. Please contact the NCCC Scholarship Office located in the Financial Aid Department at 716-614-6205 for a scholarship brochure or visit www.niagaracc.suny.edu for the most current listing and applications. Also, please review the criteria carefully and adhere to all instructions.

Alliance Niagara Federal Credit Union Award

Alliance Niagara Federal Credit Union is a non-profit financial institution dedicated to providing banking services to its membership which includes employees, students and graduates of NCCC and Niagara University. In this regard, scholarship opportunities are provided to credit union members who are returning students at each of the member schools.

Nick Antonacci Memorial Scholarship

Nick Antonacci, through his culinary skills and open friendship for all, has brought fame and international attention to the Como Restaurant in Niagara Falls. The scholarship was established to assure that the culinary skills of others may be developed and encouraged.

Nicole M. Argo Memorial Award

Family and friends of Nicole M. Argo to celebrate Nicki's life, her devotion to family and friends and her strong belief in continuing education established this scholarship. She was a student at NCCC at the time of her death in 2003.

Paul D. Balling Memorial Scholarship

Paul D. Balling, former vice-president of Balling Construction, a family-owned business in the Tonawandas, was an original member of the NCCC Foundation Board of Directors. The scholarship established in his memory, will continue his legacy of dedication, strong work ethic and commitment to meeting educational and personal goals.

Barbara Burns-Higgins Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 1997 in memory of Dr. Barbara Burns-Higgins, a professor in the NCCC Nursing division and the 1989-90 recipient of the State University's Chancellor's Award of Excellence in Teaching.

Dennis Cassick Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established by family and friends of Dennis Cassick, after his death in 1995. Dennis was a student at NCCC at the time of his death and believed strongly in continuing education.

John W. Danforth/Donald Basile Memorial Scholarship

The scholarship was established in memory of Donald Basile, a former employee of the John W. Danforth Company of Buffalo. Preference will be given to members of Steam Fitters Local 129 and their children.

Nicholas A. DiCamillo Memorial Scholarship

Nicholas A. DiCamillo was actively involved in the DiCamillo Bakery from his youth until shortly before his death in 2001. Together with his brothers, sisters, and nephews, he developed the small bakery from a small basement operation into a multi-store retail and wholesale bakery. The company eventually expanded into the national gourmet food market, and today, DiCamillo biscotti and cookies are sold throughout the country. Nicholas was a certified master baker. He is most remembered by his friends and family for his passion for life, a love for baking, and a firm belief in the goodness of mankind.

Dolce-Valvo Scholarship

The scholarship was established in 1991 by Kathy Dolce, former chair of the Health and Physical Education Department at NCCC, and her sister Jean Doctor. They established this scholarship as a way to thank their parents, who were strong advocates of education, for providing them with the opportunity to obtain an education.

Educational Support Personnel Association Staff Development Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 1992 to financially assist NCCC staff who are pursuing credit course work at the College. Monies are designated for books and supplies.

Empire State Diversity Honor Scholarship

This scholarship is funded by New York State. It was established to attract and retain undergraduate students who have demonstrated academic achievement, and who are from defined under-represented populations.

Barbara Ennis Memorial Scholarship

Established in 2007 in memory of community volunteer Barbara Ennis by her husband Tim and family.

Anthony S. Gullo Faculty Association Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the NCCC Faculty Association with donations made by the Association, its membership, retirees and others wishing to contribute. It was renamed in 2008 in honor of past president Anthony S. Gullo.

Jamie A. LaBarbera Award

This award was established by The Bryan and Nicole Argo Memorial Foundation in loving memory of Jamie. She was a student at NCCC at the time of her death in 2003. She believed strongly in education and athletics.

Key Bank Scholarship

The Key Bank Scholarship program has existed since 1997 providing financial aid to students attending college. The award can be used for tuition, books or expenses related to attending NCCC.

Gordon G. Mahnke and Mildred B. Mahnke Endowment Fund

This scholarship was established by the late Mildred B. Mahnke of Newfane. This award can be used for tuition, books, or other educational costs.

Mary Marvin Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship fund was established in 1998 by the Western New York Mammography Society in memory of Mary Marvin, former program director at the American Cancer Society.

Terry C. Mason Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 1993 by the family of Terry Mason. The late Mr. Mason was the comptroller at the Carborundum Company and was the father of young children at the time of his death.

Ruth J. McDonald Art Scholarship

The late Ruth J. McDonald of Lockport, a former music teacher at Middleport High School and a past member of the Barge Canal Arts Society, established this scholarship. Her interest in the arts led her to create a scholarship for aspiring artists.

Ruth J. McDonald Music Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the late Ruth J. McDonald of Lockport as an award to students enrolled in the fine art program at NCCC.

Mark C. Miller Memorial Fund Award

This memorial fund was created by Gerald L. Miller, former NCCC President, and his wife Dorothy in memory of their son Mark. Mark was the manager of the NCCC Bookstore and a beloved member of the NCCC family. The award is to be used to cover the cost of books and supplies while attending NCCC.

Eugene and Maria Munk Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 1999 by Alma Human in memory of her parents and husband.

NYS Federation of Home Bureau Scholarship

The local chapter of this state-wide organization raises their scholarship money through memorials and anniversary gifts to their group.

NYS Federation of Home Bureau Scholarship in Memory of Agnes Kazmierczak

This scholarship was established in 2003 in memory of Agnes Kazmierczak, who was the past treasurer of this statewide organization.

NCCC Alumni Association Scholarship

The NCCC Alumni Association established its scholarship program in 1987. The organization is dedicated to providing scholarship opportunities so that students can experience the same quality education at NCCC as its membership enjoyed.

NCCC Alumni Association Legacy Scholarship

This scholarship was created by the NCCC Alumni Association to award the children or grandchildren of NCCC alumni.

NCCC Child Development Center/P.A.T.H. Scholarship

(Parents and Teachers Hand-In-Hand)

Award recipient will also receive: additional child care service for at least four or more hours for three days a week to permit time for study/research hours weekly in the library, laboratory, and/or tutoring office and one parent training/workshop per semester and a certificate of participation from the Child Development Center Director.

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Niagara Educational Foundation Volunteer Services Scholarship

Established with a significant contribution from the Niagara Educational Foundation in 2006, this scholarship assists full- or part-time students with demonstrated community service to non-profit or public service organizations.

Dr. Ernest and Clara Notar International Fund

A fund established by the late NCCC President Dr. Ernest Notar and his wife Clara to sponsor foreign exchanges and provide opportunities to expand cultural horizons. There are three focuses to the fund: international recruitment, education abroad and faculty initiatives.

Occidental Women's League Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 1995 by the wives of retirees from Occidental Chemical Management, to assist women who are seeking to reenter the job market after an absence.

Adam and Josephine Piwowarczyk Pietak Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 2004 in memory of Adam and Josephine Piwowarczyk Pietak by their children, for a student from North Tonawanda.

Stella and Clayton Quiett Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Susan Quiett Manning in memory of her mother, Stella Quiett, who came from Canada in 1928 at the age of 18 to become a registered nurse. Despite many changes in her field over the years, Mrs. Quiett remained competent and compassionate in her work.

Dr. Kenneth and Dorothy Raymond Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Dr. Kenneth & Dorothy Raymond of Niagara Falls in 1997. Dr. Raymond, Professor Emeritus and former chair of the Math Department, retired in 1991 from NCCC after teaching for 27 years.

Patricia Siola Distinguished Alumni Award

Dr. Patricia L. Siola, NCCC Distinguished Alumna, established this scholarship in 2000 to assist children or grandchildren of NCCC Alumni in their pursuit of education at Niagara County Community College.

E. Doris Chalstrey Smith Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 1997 by George Charles & Beryl Smith, son and daughter-in-law of E. Doris Chalstrey Smith, to recognize and support their neighbors on the Tuscarora Indian Reservation.

Dr. Frances J. Sorge-Dotton Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 2002 to honor Dr. Frances J. Sorge-Dotton, an NCCC graduate and the recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus award in 1993. This scholarship is awarded to students enrolled in the nursing program at NCCC.

Statler Foundation Scholarship

The trustees of the Statler Foundation have historically provided funds each semester for scholarships awarded to students in a hotel management, hospitality management or culinary arts program.

Shawn Stoneham Memorial Scholarship Award

This scholarship was established by The Primate Sanctuary Inc. in cooperation with Cub Scout Pack 841 and Boy Scout Troop 841, in memory of Shawn Stoneham who died of cancer at the age of 10 years old. His love for animals and people lives on.

Unifrax Corporation Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 1999 by the Unifrax Corporation of Niagara Falls. The funds may be used for tuition, fees, books, or other related expenses.

V-Fire Niagara Scholarship

The Niagara County-sponsored "Volunteer Firefighter Incentive for Recruitment and Education" scholarship program was developed by State Senator George Maziarz and Niagara County Fire Coordinator Jim Volkosh as a way to recruit new volunteers in a response to a critical need for volunteers identified by the county's fire departments and emergency medical service providers. New recruits, under the V-Fire scholarship program, will be eligible for full tuition funding after acceptance into membership of one of Niagara County's 29 volunteer fire companies or emergency service agencies.

Donald Voisinet Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 2000 by retired NCCC Professor Donald Voisinet. Don was instrumental in creating and building the Computer Aided Design Drafting program at NCCC and upon retirement, wanted to establish a fund that would financially assist talented CADD students. Money for this scholarship has been donated by Professor Voisinet, alumni, and business and industry that have supported the CADD program since its inception.

Wendel Duchscherer Scholarship Fund

Wendel Duchscherer Architects & Engineers established this scholarship in 2001. This national professional consulting firm, founded in Lockport, is committed to supporting the students and graduates at Niagara County Community College.

Marion Wolf Award

The Marion Wolf Award is given in honor of Marion Wolf because of her dedication to nursing and the high value she placed on education.

James L. Woodward Memorial Scholarship

Mr. Woodward was a lover and preserver of the animal kingdom. This scholarship was established in his memory by his wife, Donna, and their children, Daniel, Linda, William, Deborah and Michael.

ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

The scholarships listed below are endowed in the NCCC Foundation but awarded by separate committees. For more information, call the contact person.

Athletic Grant-In-Aid Scholarships

Funds for these scholarships are made available through the Albert J. Certo Memorial Scholarship Fund and various fund-raising projects. Mr. Certo was a founding member of the NCCC Board of Trustees.

Contact: Lee Wallace, Athletic Director, (716) 614-6271

Coca-Cola All-State Community Colleges Academic Team Scholarship

A scholarship for community college students where applicant is recommended by their respective college.

Contact: For more information about the All-USA/All State Community College Academic Teams contact scholarship.programs@ptk.org or call (601) 984-3539 or visit www.coca-colascholars.org.

Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program

More than 1,200 well-qualified nominees are considered for just 300 Barry M. Goldwater Scholarships. These scholarships were designed to attract outstanding students into careers in mathematics, the natural sciences and engineering. The goal is to provide a continuing source of highly qualified individuals to those fields of academic study and research. Up to two students can be nominated yearly.

Contact: For more information visit www.act.org/goldwater/index.html or call (319) 341-2333.

Louise Henry Memorial Scholarship

Louise Henry was clan mother to the Turtle Clan of the Tuscarora Nation. She graduated from NCCC at the age of 66. Throughout her life, Louise was a beadwork artist and her work is a symbol of Tuscarora art and culture.

Contact: Joe Colosi, (716) 614-6283

Jack Kent Cooke

The country's largest, most competitive undergraduate transfer scholarship, designed for students with great financial need who are transferring to and will complete their bachelor's degree at the nation's top colleges and universities. In 2008, 46 honorees were chosen from an applicant pool of more than 700 students. Candidates must be nominated by the faculty representative or program contact at NCCC. Up to two students can be nominated yearly.

Contact: For more information visit www.jkcf.org/scholarships, jkcuc@act.org or call 1-800-498-6478.

Lewiston-Porter Class of 1958 Memorial Scholarship

The Lewiston-Porter Class of 1958 Memorial Scholarship honors deserving Lewiston-Porter graduates who, by their accomplishments in school, the community or workplace, demonstrate the potential for future academic and life success. Established to memorialize deceased members of the Lew-Port Class of 1958, it is funded by class members, family and friends.

Contact: Lewiston-Porter High School Guidance Office, (716) 286-7261

Harold and Marjorie Miller Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established by former NCCC President Gerald L. Miller and his brother Donald Miller. It is named in memory of their parents, Harold & Marjorie Miller, longtime residents of Medina.

Contact: Medina High School Counseling Office, (716) 798-2710.

DISTINGUISHED STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Each year Niagara County Community College awards two years of tuition-free education at NCCC.

These scholarships are given to recent high school graduates who have received a Regents diploma and are planning to enroll as a full-time, matriculated student at NCCC during the fall semester of the year the award is issued.

The applicant must present evidence that he/she is academically capable of pursuing collegiate study at an above average level of achievement, must have volunteer community service and participated in high school activities and provide assurance that they plan to remain in or return to Niagara County after completion of his/her education.

Applicants must complete a separate application form available in the NCCC Scholarship Office located in the Financial Aid Department or from the Niagara County high school guidance offices, submit an essay outlining community, civic and/or high school activities and career goals, submit two letters of recommendation and submit the application to the high school guidance counselor for completion of academic standing and confirmation of a Regents diploma.

Contact: High School Counseling Office or NCCC Scholarship Office located in the Financial Aid Department (716) 614-6205 for criteria and procedures, as well as deadline for applying. Applications are also available at www.niagaracc.suny.edu/foundation.

MAJOR CONTRIBUTORS TO THE DISTINGUISHED STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Albert J. Certo Distinguished Student Scholarship Fund

This scholarship was established in memory of Albert J. Certo, a founding member of the NCCC Board of Trustees.

Sandra Donato Memorial Distinguished Student Scholarship Fund

This scholarship was established in memory of Sandra Donato, the wife of the late NCCC President, Donald Donato. It is awarded to students enrolled in the nursing curriculum.

George Curtis Lewis, Jr./Burt H. Grigg Distinguished Student Scholarship Fund

The scholarship was established by the late Henrietta Lewis to honor members of one of Lockport's most prominent families.

Jeffrey D. Lux Memorial Distinguished Student Scholarship Fund

This scholarship is awarded to an outstanding student who exhibits academic achievement and strong work ethic that exemplifies Jeffrey's beliefs.

Monroe-Tresselt Distinguished Student Scholarship Fund

This scholarship was established in memory of Mrs. Walter Tresselt, a founding member of the NCCC Board of Trustees.

Niagara Educational Distinguished Student Scholarship Fund

This former Niagara County-based organization offers this scholarship to reward outstanding scholastic achievement.

Niagara Frontier Travel Distinguished Student Scholarship Fund

This scholarship was established by Brian Deters and Robert Collins, co-owners of the former Niagara Frontier Travel and graduates of NCCC.

Robert Michael Sdao Memorial Distinguished Student Scholarship Fund

This scholarship was created by F. Robert Sdao, an NCCC Trustee, and his wife, Geri, in memory of their son, Robert.

Norman and Ruth Sinclair/First Niagara Bank Distinguished Student Scholarship Fund

This scholarship was established in 2000 by First Niagara Bank to honor Norman Sinclair and his late wife, Ruth. Mr. Sinclair, a founding NCCC Foundation Board member, was the bank's former CEO.

Trek, Inc. Distinguished Student Scholarship Fund

The Trek Corporation of Medina established this scholarship to award to an outstanding student enrolled in the math, science or technology curriculum.

Father William Warthling Memorial Distinguished Student Scholarship Fund

This scholarship was created by his family and named in memory of "Father Bill," a popular philosophy professor and the 1982 recipient of the President's Award for Excellence in Teaching at NCCC.

SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE FOR SPRING 2010

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2009

QUESTIONS?

CALL (716) 614-6205

SCHOLARSHIPS NOT AVAILABLE FOR CURRENT SEMESTER

The scholarships listed below are awarded through the NCCC Foundation but are not available at the current time.

Michael and Marie Abbondanza Memorial Scholarship Fund*

This scholarship was established in 1997 by social science professor James Abbondanza and his wife, in memory of James' parents, Michael and Marie Abbondanza.

Nicole M. Argo Memorial Scholarship*

Family and friends of Nicole M. Argo to celebrate Nicki's life, her devotion to family and friends and her strong belief in continuing education established this scholarship. She was a student at NCCC at the time of her death in 2003.

E. Ellen Casey

Named in memory of Ellen Casey, a graduate of NCCC, who had a zest for living as well as a sense of community spirit. Designed for Life Science majors.

Anne E. Edwards Memorial Scholarship*

Established by her family in honor of Anne's many years of service to NCCC.

Michael J. Malfi Memorial Scholarship*

This scholarship was established by family and friends to celebrate Mike's devotion to family, community, and country.

Medical Assisting Scholarship*

Created by alumni and faculty for Medical Assisting majors.

Munjal-NagPal Scholarship*

This scholarship was established in 1998 by Dr. Ish Munjal, in memory of her brother, Hari Singh Nagpal. Mr. Nagpal had a keen interest in political science. This scholarship is designed for students who are dedicated to the field of political science and international studies.

NYS Federation of Home Bureau Scholarship in Honor of Donna Belling*

Established in 2008 recognizing her many years of volunteer service to the Home Bureau including state-wide chairperson of the organization's scholarship program. A Niagara County native whose love for baking influenced her decision to award this scholarship to Baking & Pastry Arts majors with an alternate field of Culinary Arts.

NCCC Fine Arts Division Scholarship*

This scholarship was established by the NCCC Fine Arts Division of NCCC with donations from faculty and alumni contributions and fund raising events.

NCCC Food Service Scholarship*

This scholarship was established in 1998 to financially assist students pursuing a degree in the food service/professional chef curriculum at NCCC.

Tobin Scholarship*

This scholarship was established in 1993 by humanities professor David Tobin and his wife in memory of their son, Michael Tobin.

**Scholarships are endowed; however, applications are not being accepted at present.*