

Joel and Dena Gambord Nursing Scholarship Program

The goal of this scholarship is to attract and support high caliber nursing students who choose to complete their advanced nursing studies in the RN to BSN program at CSU Monterey Bay.

In so doing, this merit-based program will provide CSU Monterey Bay and the College of Health Sciences and Human Services with the opportunity to ensure the development of high-quality nursing expertise in the region.

The Scholarship fund provides financial support to eligible students for tuition assistance in the nursing program.

Scholarship finalists are selected on the basis of academic performance, financial need, demonstrated leadership and participation in community service in the healthcare field, work experience, passing an open book civics test, and a statement of career and educational goals and objectives.

Priority consideration will be given to working RN's who want to receive their BSN.

Scholarship Amount and Terms:

- A one-time, non-renewable, \$10,000 Scholarship will be awarded
- Payment will be made to the recipient's school and the funds will be applied to their student account. Scholarship will be used to offset the cost of tuition

Scholarship eligibility criteria:

- Be a U.S. Citizen
- Applicants must hold an active unrestricted CA RN license at the time of application
- Minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 and be in good academic standing
- In lieu of a GPA, working RN's will need to submit two letters of recommendation, preferably healthcare related
- Prior practical healthcare and/or community service in the healthcare field
- Be enrolled at CSUMB during the 2025-2026 academic school year to qualify for this scholarship
- Demonstrated financial need
- Complete and pass an open-book U.S. civics test

Ongoing requirements:

- Good to excellent academic standing (3.0 to 4.0 GPA)
- Financial need throughout the duration of the scholarship