Bill Gaskins Pharmacy Scholars Program

Purpose:
The purpose of the Bill Gaskins Pharmacy Scholars Program is to honor the life’s work and legacy of Bill Gaskins. The best way to honor Bill is by establishing a financial award to educate and train Washington State University pharmacy students to improve their skills, advance their education and career in healthcare and provide pharmacy education and awareness. With the WSU pharmacy program moving to Spokane, there is a need to support students who want to learn in a rural healthcare environment. This financial award will help pay for transportation, tuition and housing. Financial awards are $2,500 per individual per calendar year. One student applicant will be awarded each spring. Recipients of the awards would be named Gaskins Scholars.

Bill Gaskins Background and Legacy

- Undergraduate pharmacy degree 1969
- Student-athlete (football) 1962-1966
- WSU Athletics Hall of Fame
- Canadian Football League 1966-68
- Director of Pharmacy Pullman Regional Hospital 43 years
- Clinical Instructor at Washington State University
- Mentored over 300 students during pharmacy career
- WSU diversity advocate and leader
- Pac-10 Football and Track & Field Official
- Married to Felicia Gaskins 50+ years
Pullman Regional Hospital Pharmacy Fund

The Bill Gaskins Pharmacy Scholars Program fund is administered by the Pullman Regional Hospital Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization established to support Pullman Regional Hospital and community efforts to provide sustainable healthcare in a rural environment.

Criteria for Award Eligibility:

To be eligible for the Gaskins Scholars Program, applicants must:

- Must be an incoming PY3 student in Washington State University’s College of Pharmacy.
- Must have an honors or satisfactory status from the Washington State University College of Pharmacy.
- Show evidence of intent to practice pharmacy in a rural environment or provide services to underserved population.

NOTE: Recipients of an award are not guaranteed a position of their choosing at Pullman Regional Hospital upon completion of their training or academic program.

Award Process:

Applications will be available each March on the Washington State University’s College of Pharmacy Scholarship website. Applications and all required documents must be submitted no later than May 24th. NOTE: Application deadline has been extended to August 30th for the 2020 award cycle.

Applications will be reviewed and voted upon by the Foundation’s Governance Committee. The Governance Committee will then make recommendations to the Foundation Board of Directors for approval. Applicants will be notified by June 30th. NOTE: Applicants will be notified by September 30th for the 2020 award cycle.

Maximum funds awarded per recipient are $2,500. Awarded funds are dependent upon available designated funds through the Foundation. Applicants are eligible to receive one Gaskins Pharmacy Scholars award per lifetime.
Funds may be used for payment of tuition, fees, books, uniforms, equipment, supplies, travel and living expenses.

Awards are based on merit. Quality and completion of application process will be considered. Hand written applications are discouraged. Personal interview may also be considered. **Incomplete application packets will not be considered.**

**Application Requirements**

Applicants must meet the following criteria. Only those application packets containing all of the required documents at the time of submission will be considered (see last page of application for checkbox listing all required documents).

- Submit the **completed** application packet to the Pullman Regional Hospital Foundation by the stated deadline.
- Submit a personal statement letter making case for scholarship. (300-word max.)
- Submit documentation of enrollment in a minimum of 12 academic credit hours per semester.
- Submit most recent transcript.
- Submit a letter of recommendation.
- Recent photo in a JPG format.

**Submit completed application packet to:**

Pullman Regional Hospital Foundation  
ATTN: Derek Sedam  
840 SE Bishop Blvd, Suite 200  
Pullman, WA 99163

Or email to PRHFoundation@pullmanregional.org
For questions, call the Foundation offices at 509.332.2046
Pullman Regional Hospital Foundation
Bill Gaskins Pharmacy Scholars Program Application

Name:

Mailing Address:

City: State: Zip:

Telephone Number:

Email address:

School and program you are enrolled in:

Year in school: Expected year of graduation:

Area of study:

Are you eligible for financial assistance? Yes No
What are your professional career goals and how do you intend to use them in a rural environment or provide services to underserved population.
How do you intend to use scholarship funds, if awarded:
Statement of Intent:
Upon acceptance of this financial award of $2,500, I agree to the criteria stipulated in the application. I agree to use of my name, biographical information and photo for promotional materials.

Signature:                                                            Date:

* Recipients of an award are not guaranteed a position of their choosing at Pullman Regional Hospital upon completion of their training or academic program.

* Financial awards from the Foundation are awarded to the individual and therefore are subject to federal and/or state taxes.

The following is included in my packet:

- Completed application
- Enrollment documentation
- Copy of most recent transcript
- Letter of recommendation
- Recent photo