



Bridge the Gap Graduate Scholarship Application Academic Year 2016-17

OUR MISSION TO CLARITY

“The Quell Foundation works to educate communities about issues and concerns surrounding mental health, as well as promoting open, judgment-free dialogue.”

Award

The Quell Foundation Bridge the Gap Graduate Scholarship is awarded to select graduate students pursuing a degree in the mental health field that leads to licensure as a mental health practitioner. The award was established by the Quell Foundation's Project Access as a means of fulfilling its mission to increase the talent pipeline through scholarship awards to students entering the mental healthcare profession, expand delivery of needed mental health care services, and promote reformation to extend the scope of clinical behavioral health professional services.

The Quell Foundation Bridge the Gap Graduate Scholarship is a one-time, merit-based award. Graduate students interested in applying for the scholarship may obtain and submit an application through their graduate program or The Quell Foundation website (www.thequellfoundation.org). Only applications from accredited graduate programs that meet state academic requirements for licensure in the mental health profession will be accepted. Awards will be made to those students who demonstrate a high level of scholarship in psychology or a related field and/or a history of employment and training that reflects a commitment to work in the mental health profession.

This important recognition is accompanied with:

- A one-year distribution of a \$500 - \$3,000 scholarship
- Opportunity to participate in the #LiftTheMask Project

- An invitation to the 2016 Quell Foundation Masquerade Ball

Award Period

- Application deadline is April 1, 2016.
- The Quell Foundation Bridge the Gap Graduate Scholarship will be awarded May 1st of the award year.

Eligibility and Renewal Requirements

The Quell Foundation Bridge the Gap Graduate Scholarship is a one-time, merit-based award. The student may reapply for additional years with preference given to prior scholarship recipients.

Eligible students must meet the following minimum criteria:

- Student must be pursuing a degree in the mental health field that leads to licensure as a mental health practitioner.
- Student must be accepted into an accredited College or University.
- Student must be matriculated and maintain at least part-time enrollment in the graduate program.
- Student must obtain a passing grade in all classes.
- Student must maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 each Financial Aid Year.
- All financial obligations to the degree granting institution must be paid in full before the start of the next Financial Aid Year.
- Student must agree to participate in two (2) community awareness events during their Financial Aid Year.

Award recipients must adhere to all behavioral, professional and ethical guidelines set forth by the educational institution and the mental health profession. Award recipients are expected to understand and demonstrate a commitment to The Quell Foundation's Mission to Clarity.

For additional information contact The Quell Foundation:

The Quell Foundation

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Web www.thequellfoundation.org

Email: Scholarships@thequellfoundation.org



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Application instructions:

1. Please complete all sections of the application form.
2. Obtain an official transcript from the college or university reflecting your highest level of education.
3. Write a personal statement describing your reasons for pursuing a career in the mental health field. The essay should be approximately 500 words and should include information regarding your career goals, professional interests and work experiences (paid or volunteer), as well as any additional information that provides some insight about your commitment to the mental health profession.
4. Obtain two (2) letters of recommendation from individuals who are familiar with your academic and/or professional skills and experiences. Letters must be in a sealed envelopes with signatures over the seal.
5. Please submit all information together and mail it to:

The Quell Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 1924
North Falmouth MA 02556

Application and supporting materials must be received no later than April 1, 2016.

Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:		E-mail:

Education

University/College:	Degree Program:
Student Status: FT ____ PT ____	Projected Graduation (mm/yy):

Credits Earned to date:	Practicum site (if applicable):
Internship Site (if applicable):	

Employment

Employed: Not applicable ___ FT ___ PT ___
Employer:

Application Checklist

Please be sure to include the following with your application:

- ___ Official college/university transcript
- ___ Personal statement
- ___ Two letters of recommendation from professional references
- ___ Resume or Curriculum Vitae