

The Fab MAB Pass-It-On Award

Overview:

This service outreach award will be given annually to fund a project that is aimed at diminishing health disparities among at-risk individuals or populations, living within the local Lehigh Valley community, the United States, or a developing nation. Funds may be used to defray costs of travel or resources incurred by the award recipient. The aim of this award is not only to diminish health disparities among those “underdogs” that are at-risk because of health disparities, but to enrich and further the professional viewpoint of those who receive the award. The selection committee will be composed of someone designated by Dr. Michele August-Brady’s immediate family, the Chairperson of the Moravian College Department of Nursing, and one other Department of Nursing Faculty Member, appointed at the discretion of Dr. August-Brady’s family and upon the recommendation of the Department of Nursing Chairperson. Call for proposals from students will be made annually at the start of the academic year, with the deadline established by December 1st. Award selection will be made by December 14th, with the disbursement of funds available for the following spring semester. Awardees will be recognized by the Department of Nursing on an annual basis during the *Celebration of Nursing* (i.e., the Pinning Ceremony), held each May.

Criteria for Award:

In order to be a candidate to receive funds, applicants must:

- Be either a student enrolled in one of the nursing programs, and be in good academic standing according to the Department of Nursing academic progression policy, or be a group that represents a nursing department program, that must include at a minimum one student enrolled in one of the programs and this student must be in good academic standing.
- Submit the following materials to the Selection Committee by the designated deadline:
 - Copies of most recent transcripts (for student applicants only; may be unofficial)
 - A proposal for use of funds (no more than 2500 words in total), that identifies the broad aim of the project, the targeted “underdogs,” the timeline, a budget, and a statement how the funds will be used to improve health disparities and foster personal professional growth.
- Acknowledge that, if selected for the award, the awardee will:
 - Prepare after-action written and oral reports that describe how the funds were used to meet the aim(s) of the project, and how the awardee’s outlook, practice, and/or leadership skillset were changed as a result of the award. The oral report may consist of a presentation to the campus community or the *Upsilon Alpha* chapter of *Sigma Theta Tau* International, for instance. The written report may consist of developing a formal paper, program brochure, or web page, for instance, that could be shared with future prospective awardees.

In an effort to preserve the memory of Dr. August-Brady and ensure the purpose of this award is being met, the selection committee will review this governing document and selection process every five years.

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