

## Ann T. Bicknell Memorial Scholarship

#### History

In memory of her unselfish efforts and her dedication to the needs of older adults, the Gerontology Program at Slippery Rock University has established the Ann T. Bicknell Memorial Scholarship. Intended to assist students in the study of gerontology, the scholarship is funded through the generous contributions of faculty, students, alumni, Gerontology Program and friends of Slippery Rock University.

In the early 1970s, Dr. Ann T. Bicknell provided the leadership for a small group of faculty who initiated a program of study in the rapidly developing discipline of gerontology. This interest was formalized into an interdisciplinary certification program in June 1979.

During the 1980s, the Gerontology Program continued to grow, with the establishment of a minor in 1983 and the Graduate Certificate program in 1990. In addition to expanding the education programs, many outreach projects, like the local and international Elderhostels, were developed to provide services for older adults in conjunction with their service providers.

Following the leadership of Dr. Bicknell, the Gerontology Program continues to promote a progressive curricula and opportunities for scholarship in the field of gerontology.

### Scholarship Eligibility

Any undergraduate or graduate student enrolled in the Gerontology Program at Slippery Rock University is eligible to apply for the Ann T. Bicknell Memorial Scholarship.

### Application Procedure

The application on the reverse side of this page, a 500-word essay and three letters of recommendation comprises the application materials for this scholarship. *All materials must be received by March 31st.* 

#### Review Criteria

Recipients will be selected based on their cumulative QPA, the 500-word essay, their service to the community and university as it relates to gerontology, and three letters of recommendation.

#### Scholarship Award

The amount of the scholarship is based upon the accrued yearly interest earned from the invested funds. The scholarship recipients will be notified in April. The scholarship award is awarded for an academic year (fall and spring). A recipient is not eligible for a second award and may not re-apply.

# Ann T. Bicknell Memorial Scholarship

Name:
Campus Address:
Email Address:
Telephone: ()
Student Identification Number:
Declared Major
$\square$ Undergraduate Student $\square$ Graduate Student
Anticipated Graduation Date: Credits Completed at End of Current Semester:
Cumulative QPA
Service to University
Service to Community

Please return completed application and **three** letters of recommendation along with a written statement (500 words) indicating your professional plans and aspirations and justifying your candidacy for the award to: Bicknell Scholarship Selection Committee, Gerontology Program, 106 Jack Dinger Building, Department of Public Health, Slippery Rock University, Slippery Rock, PA 16057. You may also email materials to: <a href="mailto:adelle.williams@sru.edu">adelle.williams@sru.edu</a>. All application materials must be received by March 31st.