

2012 - 2013
Russell L. Sturzebecker Scholarships
For West Chester University
College of Health Science Students – undergraduate and graduate

\$1000 to \$2000 per student per year

- **What are the Russell L. Sturzebecker Scholarships?**

In collaboration with the Sturzebecker Foundation, West Chester University offers the Russell L. Sturzebecker Scholarships to students attending West Chester University and majoring in College of Health Sciences degree programs. Donations to the University and to the Foundation allow these scholarships to be made in honor of Dr. Russell L. Sturzebecker, a retired Dean of Health and Physical Education, distinguished professor, and coach at WCU. The Sturzebecker Health Sciences Center at WCU was named in honor of Dr. Sturzebecker. Dr. Sturzebecker served the University (then West Chester State College, before that West Chester State Teachers College) for over 35 years. Large numbers of graduates of WCU continue to reminisce about the many fond memories of their contact with Dr. Sturzebecker while attending the University. “Sturz” or “Doc” as he was known to his friends was inspirational, creative, energetic, personable, and an accomplished member of the university community. He was a WCU Emeriti Professor, author, scholar, and international expert in the study of classical Greco-Roman Olympic Games. “Doc” passed away on October 16, 2005.

- **Who can apply for a Russell L. Sturzebecker Scholarship?**

1. The Russell L. Sturzebecker Scholarship program is intended for high achieving undergraduate and graduate students seeking a degree in one of the academic programs within the College of Health Sciences of West Chester University.
2. Prior to the semester of application undergraduate students must have completed at least 45 credit hours at WCU. Prior to the semester of application graduate students must have completed a minimum of 12 credit hours at WCU, and must have been accepted as degree candidates. MPA students in sports/athletic administration and health services administration are eligible to apply.
3. Students who are seeking a second degree will be eligible as graduate students. Only those students without a previous degree will be considered as undergraduate students. Those students in non-degree programs are not eligible for this scholarship.
4. Students majoring in any College of Health Science degree program with an overall minimum **3.25 grade point average** and who have met the minimum credit hour requirement in #2 above are eligible to apply.
5. Eligible students may reapply for a new scholarship each year while registered in a College of Health Sciences degree program.

How can the scholarship funds be used?

Scholarships can be used to assist in the payment of tuition and other education expenses while attending West Chester University. Scholarships are awarded to students the following fall semester (fall 2013).

- **What are the selection criteria for awarding scholarships?**
 1. Grade point average (75%).
 2. Financial need WCU (25%). **Applicants (undergraduate and graduate) must complete a Free Application Federal Student Aid form (FAFSA) by March 1, 2012 so the selection committee can verify student financial need.**
- **How can I apply for a Russell L. Sturzebecker Scholarship?**
 1. Complete a FAFSA application online by **March 1, 2012**. www.fafsa.ed.gov By **April 2, 2012** send a completed Russell L. Sturzebecker Scholarship Application form to:

Dean, College of Health Sciences
West Chester University 205 Sturzebecker Health Sciences Center
West Chester, PA 19383

Blank application forms can be obtained in the Dean's office – College of Health Sciences (Sturzebecker HSC 205), any of the College of Health Sciences department offices (Communicative Disorders, Health, Kinesiology, Nursing, Sports Medicine), the Graduate Studies Office or at the WCU Financial Aid Office (138 E.O. Bull Center).

Russell L. Sturzebecker Scholarship Application

Part I:

Name: _____ WCU ID#: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Graduate (Includes 2nd degree
and post-baccalaureate degrees)

Undergraduate (Includes
only those without previous
degrees)

Credits hours completed at WCU prior to application semester: _____

Department from which you are seeking a degree:

- Communicative Disorders
- Health (area of concentration _____)
- Kinesiology
- Nursing
- Sports Medicine

Cumulative Grade point average: _____

Part II: Please attach a cover letter to this application. The letter should indicate your qualifications for the Sturzebecker Scholarship according to the stated criteria.

Part III: Complete a Free Application Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form and submit the application on-line at www.FAFSA.ed.gov by March 1, 2012.

Deadlines for submitting information:

- **FAFSA form due:** **March 1, 2012**
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