

# American Association on Health and Disability

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## AAHD Frederick J. Krause Scholarship on Health and Disability 2020-2021

The mission of the American Association on Health and Disability (AAHD) is to contribute to national, state, and local efforts to promote health and wellness in people with disabilities and identify effective intervention strategies that reduce health disparities between people with disabilities and the general population. AAHD is committed to community inclusion and full accessibility for people with disabilities. AAHD accomplishes its mission through research, education and advocacy at the national, state and community level.

In 2008, AAHD launched the Disability and Health Journal (DHJO), the first peer reviewed, Medline indexed, scientific, scholarly and multidisciplinary journal that focuses on health promotion and wellness for people with disabilities. In 2009, AAHD created the AAHD Scholarship Program, which supports students with disabilities pursuing higher education. Preference is given to students who plan to pursue undergraduate/graduate studies in the field of public health, health promotion, disability studies, to include disability policy and disability research. Royalties from the DHJO and private donations help to support the AAHD Scholarship Program.

Funds are limited and scholarships are competitive. Scholarships are limited to under \$1,000. The AAHD Board of Directors Scholarship Committee evaluates each applicant and makes a decision in December of each calendar year. The 2020-21 AAHD Scholarship Award will be awarded in late January - early February 2021. It is the discretion of the Scholarship Committee to determine how many scholarships will be awarded each year and the amount of each scholarship.

The AAHD board and staff are excited to be able to offer this program and support the efforts and dedication of students who have chosen to pursue higher education in the disability and health fields.

**SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CRITERIA:** The AAHD Frederick J. Krause Scholarship on Health and Disability is awarded annually to deserving students who have a disability and who are enrolled in undergraduate or graduate studies in a United States accredited college or university. Students must have achieved at least a status of sophomore. Preference is given to those who are pursuing studies related to health and disability, which may include, but are not limited to public health, health promotion, disability studies, disability research, rehabilitation engineering, audiology, disability policy, special education and majors that will impact quality of life of persons with disabilities.

Applicant must be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student and must have completed one full year of college or more. In other words, the applicant must have sophomore or greater status in a program at a college or university pursuing an undergraduate degree; or enrolled part time or full time in a graduate school, pursuing a post graduate degree.

Important: applicants who have not yet graduated from high school will not be considered. High school students entering college in the fall of 2020 are NOT eligible to apply. The only exception would be for high school students who have achieved sophomore status via high school AP course credits.

Applicant must have a disability as defined by the American with Disabilities Act (<https://adata.org/faq/what-definition-disability-under-ada>), and must provide documentation to verify this.

Preference will be given to students with a history of community service and/or volunteer activities.

Applicant must be a US citizen or legal resident living in the United States and enrolled in an accredited United States college or university.

**FUNDING INFORMATION & APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Funds are limited to under \$1,000. The AAHD Board of Directors Scholarship Committee will evaluate each of the applicants and make a decision in December of each calendar year. The 2020-2021 Scholarship Award will be awarded in late January-early February 2021. It is the discretion of the Scholarship Committee to determine how many scholarships will be awarded each year and the amount of each scholarship. Applications are due **November 15, 2020.**

### **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

Applicant must provide a Personal Statement (maximum 2 pages, double spaced), including a brief personal history, the challenges of their disability, educational/career goals, extra-curricular activities, and reasons why they should be selected by the AAHD Scholarship Committee. This statement must be written solely by the applicant.

Applicant must provide two (2) Letters of Recommendation (One must be from a teacher or academic advisor). Letters may be sent by U. S. mail or by email attachment and should include the signature of the teacher or advisor, and the name of student should appear in the subject line of the email.

Applicant must provide an official or unofficial copy of recent college transcript.

Applicant must have a documented disability and provide a brief statement of their disability from his/her specialist (physician, educator, et. al).

Applicant must agree to allow AAHD to use his/her name, photo (if requested), and/or story in future scholarship materials.

### **ONLINE APPLICATION SUBMISSION:** AAHD Scholarship 2020-21

All documents may be submitted online.

Please visit: <https://www.aahd.us/initiatives/scholarship-program/>

### **APPLICATION MAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

Please attach this application form (see form below) with all required documents and mail all together to:

**Scholarship Committee  
American Association on Health and Disability  
110 N. Washington Street, Suite 407  
Rockville, MD 20850**

Only complete applications will be considered and must be postmarked and/or received by November 15, 2020.

Use this form only when mailing application with all required documents.

Application submissions also accepted online:  
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### APPLICATION FOR 2020-2021 FREDERICK J. KRAUSE SCHOLARSHIP ON HEALTH AND DISABILITY

#### INFORMATION

Name:

phone 1:

phone 2:

E-mail:

Mailing address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Name of School in which you are enrolled:

Location of School: (City)

State

Select one:

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This is an undergraduate school

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This is a graduate school

Major:

Minor:

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